VIP VISITOR Last Sunday a recent visitor returned to Elba with his wife. Don Young, right was in Elba a couple of months ago during the filming of "the" commercial. This time he brought his wife to see the community and find out some details which he didn't have time to get during his working visit. Mr. Young lives in the Atlanta area and regularly does movies and commercials, as called on by the casting agency which represents him.
Those who have seen "the" Budweiser Elba flood commercial on the tube during the past week will recognize Young as the man who says, "I could use a beer right about now."
Shown with Young sitting on the bench and reliving the filming are Elba police officer John Nelson and two of his sons.

Sen. Sessions supports farm disaster aid package

U.S. Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL) announced his support of the $8.7 billion agriculture disaster package that passed the Senate last week. This legislation, the annual Agriculture Appropriations bill, contains important relief for Alabama farmers who are suffering from drought, low yields, and low prices. Drought relief in this bill increased from $500 million to $1.2 billion in recent days. Funding was also included for the Auburn Research Center's (ARC) Food Safety Program. This program will receive $525,000 to continue development of a revolutionary system of inspection that involves the placement of a sensor chip of food items. These chips will automatically inventory and assess the safety of food products. More than 90% of food-borne illness can be attributed to bacteria. The ARC chips will target the bacteria that causes most of these illnesses.

"During my recent tour of farms in north Alabama, I saw how devastating this drought has been to Alabama farmers," Sessions said. "What I saw makes me believe that the increase in drought relief was necessary. Not only is the yield down, but so is the quality. Add to this the low prices we're seeing, and you've got a crisis."

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Coffee on the Keyboard

Basic Computer Tips and Ideas for RAW Beginners

by Kenda Coffee
Editor Opening Page

REGULAR MAINTENANCE WITH SCANDISK

Would you let your car go more than 5,000 miles without an oil change? Probably not. And you shouldn't let your system go more than a month without disk maintenance. Allyou have to do is to click your mouse 7 times and it will do the maintenance itself. I am going to show you where to do those 7 clicks.

On a regular basis, remind yourself at the beginning of each new month, use ScanDisk to check your hard disk for errors. It will also fix them (usually). Also use Disk Defragmenter to reunite the data that's scattered all over your system.

Together, these routines can help ensure that your system is running much faster.To run ScanDisk, click Start, click Programs, click Accessories, click System Tools click ScanDisk.

Click the drive you want to scan, then clock Standard or thorough. (Standard checks the files and folders on your hard disk.Thorough does that AND checks the drive itself for damaged or unusable areas.)

Assuming you aren't an expert at fixing drive errors, make sure "Automatically Fix Errors" is selected, then click OK. When ScanDisk finishes (it can take quite a while—especially the Thorough check), you'll see a dialog box detailing the results. But it will work while you go out to lunch and probably be there patiently blinking at you when you return.

In another tip, we'll discuss the second part of your monthly maintenance routine, Disk Defragmenter. (You should run ScanDisk before you run Disk Defragmenter, because you can't defragment a disk with errors on it.)

Kenda Coffee is editor of the Internet portal site Opening Page, www.openingpage.com. University Research Inc.

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ZC's Fall Festival set for Oct. 28th

Zion Chapel Elementary School in Jack, Ala., will have it's annual Fall Festival on Thursday, Oct. 28, from 5-7 p.m. on the school grounds. The King/Queen of the Harvest Festival will be announced at 8 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Zion Chapel Elementary School.

Korean War history magazine available

A special issue of the award-winning American history magazine COBBLESTONE on the Korean War is now available. Created in partnership with the Korean War Commemoration Committee, this 52-page, full-color booklet tells young readers about the history of this little-known but important war. Historic photos from the National Archives and well-researched colorful illustrations combine to complement the articles. The issue is designed to commemorate the men and women who served in the war. Included are:

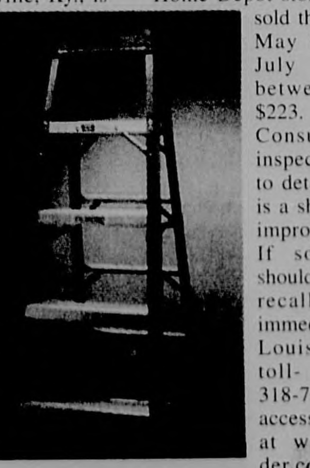
· Articles describing the years and events that immediately preceded the war and the events of the Korean War itself
· A map of Korea and a world map highlighting the many nations that participated in this international war
· A picture essay of the world leaders who played key roles in the war
· A crossword puzzle and code breaking puzzle
· Various articles on history-making elements of the war, including humanitarian relief efforts, the role of women, and the integration of the armed forces.

The Commemoration Committee has developed a variety of educational materials for use in the classroom. Schools may order these materials free of charge by writing to the Commemoration Committee.

This special edition of COBBLESTONE may be purchased by individuals from Cobblestone Publishing Company (ISBN 0382445325, $4.95 each plus shipping and handling, call 800-821-0115)

CPSC and Louisville Ladder announce the recall of RIDGID® brand stepladders

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Louisville Ladder Group LLC, of Louisville, Ky., is recalling about 10,700 RIDGID® brand stepladders. Some ladders have steps that are too short and are improperly attached to the ladder. The step can detach from the ladder, causing a consumer to fall.



Louisville Ladder has received one report of a ladder's step detaching from the ladder. No injuries have been reported.

The ladders being recalled are fiberglass Type 1A stepladders in lengths of 6 feet (model R-3011-06), 8 feet (model R-3011-08) and 10 feet (model R-3011-10). The ladders have a red plastic top and gray railings. The brand name RIDGID appears on the plastic top and on the sides of the railings. The recalled ladders have manufacture dates listed as April 1999, May 1999, June 1999 and July 1999. The model number and manufacture date are on a white label on the side of the ladder.

Home Depot stores nationwide sold the ladders from May 1999 through July 1999 for between $119 and $223.

Consumers should inspect their ladders to determine if there is a short step that is improperly attached. If so, consumers should stop using the recalled ladders immediately and call Louisville Ladder toll- free at (888) 318-7911 anytime or access their web site at www.ridgidladder.com/notice.htm. The company will help consumers determine if the steps are attached properly. If the steps are not attached properly, they should return the ladders to the nearest Home Depot store for an exchange or refund of the purchase price.

Ladders with "OK" marked on the inside of the front rail have been inspected and are not included in this recall.

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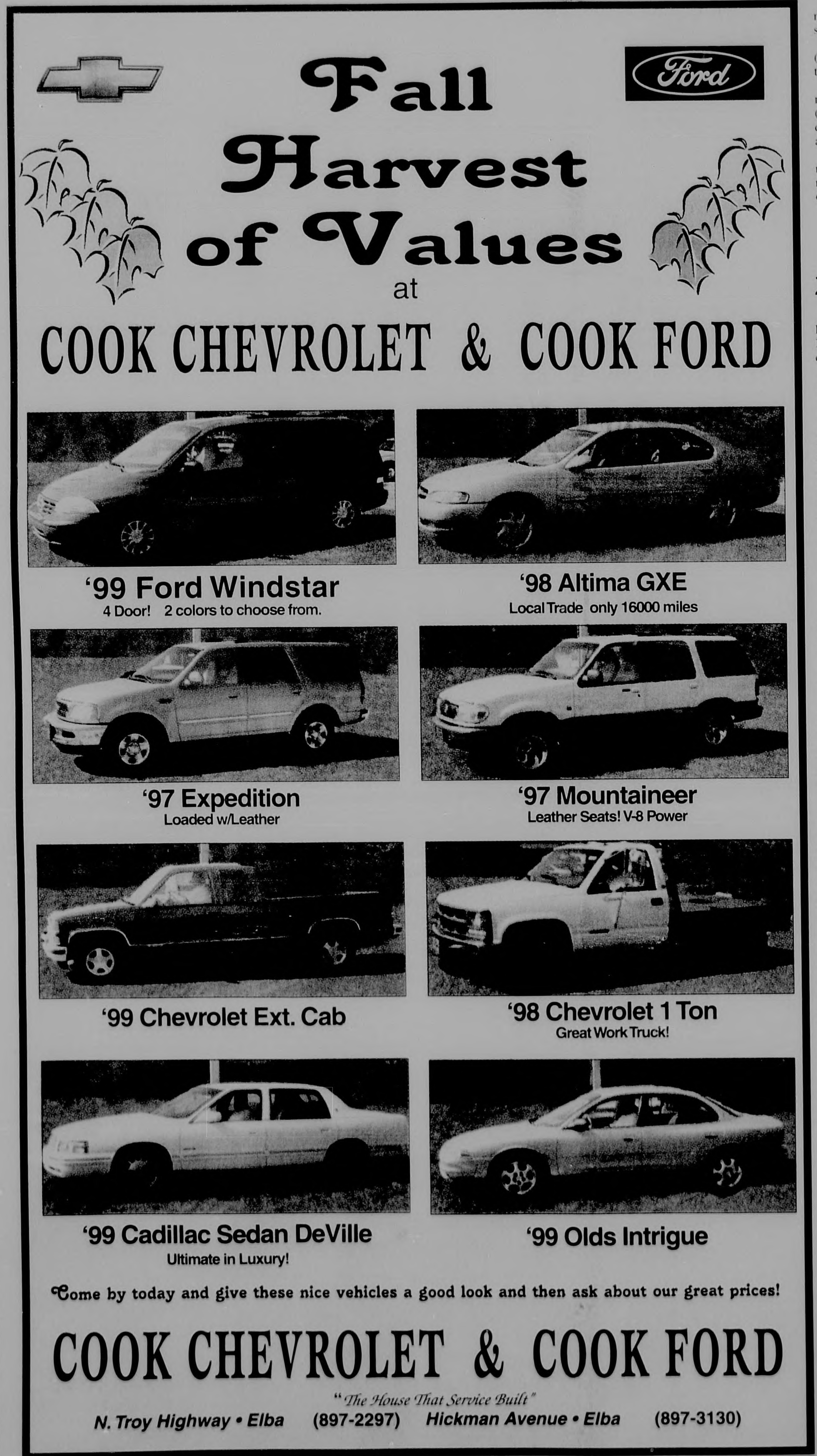

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COMMISSION APPROVES LAND PURCHASE

Lewis & Averett lead Commission

by Marvin McILwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission, during its regular bi-monthly meeting Monday morning, heard a report on the county water authority, approved a land deal, and elected a chairman for the coming year.

Coffee County Commission Chairman Kayo Lewis was re-elected as chairman for the coming year and Commissioner Len Averett was elected vice-chairman.

In a secret ballot cast by commission members, Lewis was re-elected as the chairman and then unanimously approved in an open vote of the commissioners.

Averett was elected as vice-chairman in a secret ballot; however, in an open vote of the commission, Commissioners Tom Grimsley and Doug Dalrymple cast nay votes against Averett.

Dr. James Paul, chairman of the Coffee County Water Authority (CCWA), announced that the pre-application package for Phase I of the county-wide water system has been submitted to the USDA-Rural Development for $7 million (FY 2000 funds) to provide water service to about 1,123 potential customers in South Coffee County.

"We [the authority] expect to sign up about 750 of these potential customers prior to construction," said Dr. Paul.

The project for providing water to all rural residents of Coffee County has been divided into two phases. The first phase (Phase I) will provide portable water to all unserved areas generally located south of Elba, New Brockton, and Enterprise. The second phase (Phase II) will provide water service to the northern half of the county.

The proposed minimum residential water rate for this project will be $11 per month for the first 2,000 gallons used and $2.50 per 1,000 gallons for all over 2,000 gallons.

David Hicks, engineer for the CCWA, stated this rate schedule will produce adequate revenue to operate, maintain and amortize the proposed governmental loan of $3.85 million in 40 years to match the proposed $3.15 million grant for a total Phase I cost of $7 million.

Dr. Paul told commissioners that the legal work is already being done to merge the county system with the Curtis Water System. A contractual agreement is also being worked out with the South Crenshaw County Water Authority to manage the system until the CCWA is able to do so.

Based on fiscal 2000 federal funding, this project should be under construction within the next 12 months. A sign-up campaign for persons in the proposed service area to take advantage of this opportunity will begin within the next few weeks.

During the general business session for the commissioners, Commissioner Linda Westbrook made a motion that the county purchase a 157-acre parcel of land located across the road from the county landfill on AL Hwy. 125. The price of the land which includes a house is $295,000.00.

A motion by Commissioner Grimsley, and seconded by Dalrymple, that the matter be tabled, failed and Westbrook's motion passed by a 4-2 vote. Commissioners Westbrook, Lewis, Averett and Robert Stephens approved the motion while Commissioners Dalrymple and Grimsley voted in opposition to the purchase. Commissioner Brooks had left the meeting earlier.

The same motion failed to pass in an earlier meeting (June 14, 1999).

Plans call for the land to be used to supply dirt to the landfill and possible industrial development. No method of financing the purchase was mentioned in Monday's meeting. In the June 13th meeting the possibility of obtaining a 10-year interest free loan from South Alabama Electric Cooperative was proposed.

Elba City Councilman Winzell Gray appeared before the commission requesting that they help in getting a "decent place to vote" for the voters in the Mulberry Heights voting precinct.

Gray pointed out that the old Mulberry school facility was in bad shape and needed extensive repair to make it acceptable.

"The place is deplorable, not handicap accessible...the roof leaks (it rained during the recent elec-

Please See CCC Page 3

TIGER PAINT...Elba High School Cheerleader Katie Vaughan was downtown Monday evening painting the windows of several businesses around the square. This special design job is part of Elba's Homecoming celebration this week as everyone shows their pride and spirit for the Elba Tigers. The cheerleaders have spent several afternoons during the last week applying this fresh coat of "Tiger Paint" across town.

Elba City Council's meeting centers around construction of new post office

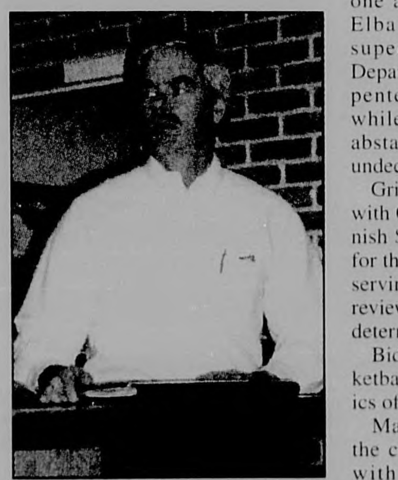
by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council hosted a public hearing Monday night to discuss the plans for a new post office building in the city. Those in attendance heard Kerry G. Pfrimmer, from the Facilities Service Office in Atlanta say he did not want to put the post office on the 203 Bypass. He said the department was working closely with Elba Mayor James Grimes to find a suitable location and preferred to lease the new facility directly to the city if that is possible. Expanding the present facility is not feasible, according to Mr. Pfrimmer.

Pfrimmer explained that the city could borrow money cheaper than private citizens and therefore their rent would be cheaper during the 20-year lease period. This would be a win-win situation, said Pfrimmer. The postal service expects to be in the new facility within about one year. While they already have the building plans, the site must be selected, environmental impact and hazardous materials studies done, land elevations determined and the building constructed.

The new post office will be about 30% larger than the present facility, which is over 30 years old. It will also have more parking places. Presently there are five customer parking places and the plan is to have at least 20. There will also be 25 to 30 spaces for postal employee parking and post office vehicles. There are at present 530 post office boxes while the new facility will have room for about 400 more.

Once a site is selected, the location will be posted in the lobby of the post office for 30 days before any further action is taken, Pfrimmer explained. He said the depart-



Kerry Pfrimmer

ment wants to keep the post office as close to downtown as possible, to better serve more people.

Merchant Jimmy Harrison pointed out surveys which show that 80% of the people who shop downtown, do so because of the location of the post office.

Several questions about the downtown location and possible future flooding were posed to Pfrimmer and he said the Army Corps of Engineers was confident their planned levee rebuilding would stabilize that situation. He added that moving to a slightly higher location than the present office and the fact they had to elevate buildings to accommodate loading docks would also help.

H H Culver asked why he couldn't get city delivery, but Pfrimmer explained he wasn't able to address this, as he was only involved in facilities service.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth announced the official dedication of the E911 system for 10 a.m. Thursday at the Elba police station.

The City of Elba is officially back into the Rescue Squad business, following a split vote at the Monday night council meeting. The majority of the city council accepted the recommendation of Mayor James Grimes and voted 4-1, with one abstention, to reactivate the Elba Rescue Squad, under the supervision of the Elba Police Department. Councilman Ben Carpenter voted against the action while Councilman Winzell Gray abstained. Gray said he was still undecided on the issue.

Grimes said he has an agreement with Coffee County for them to furnish $12,000 of operating expenses for the first year to cover the cost of serving county residents. They will review the matter after one year to determine their future support.

Bids were accepted on youth basketball jerseys with Trojan Graphics of Troy being the low bidder.

Mayor Grimes told the council the city had ended the fiscal year with a good record. The total income was $114,000 above projections and expenses were $14,000 below projections.

Standard Time
"Fall Back"
Move Your Clocks Back One Hour Saturday Night

Five of Missing Six identified by DFS

by Marvin McILwain, Editor

According to authorities one of the "missing six" is still missing.

In a press conference held in the Enterprise Courthouse at 8:30 Monday night, Dr. J. W. Upshaw Downs, director and chief medical examiner with the Department of Forensic Science, announced that the body of James Anthony Reynolds, 29, of Webb, was not in the 1986 Chevrolet Caprice found in the Pea River last month.

However, forensic pathologists have been able to positively identify the remains found in the vehicle as being those of Eula Jossett Lee, 28; Lamar Stackhouse, 26; and Angela Roberts Young, 26, all of Enterprise; Valerie Jones McCoy, 26; of Level plains; and Tamara Monique Ward, 22, of Ozark.

Prior to the meeting with press, authorities met privately with the families of the five identified individuals and the missing individual, Reynolds, to inform them of their findings.

"Not surprisingly, they were shaken by this news," said Dr. Downs. "Our prayers and those of the community go out to these families in their hour of despair."

Dr. Downs said that the identification of the bodies was the beginning. He assured all families that the investigation is continuing and in fact, efforts have been increased.

"We will be pursuing every lead and continuing to try to find Mr. Reynolds so that we can try to end the burdensome wait for this family," he said.

"We will make every effort to study this event, including the scene, the circumstances, the vehicle, the physical evidence, and other factors, in order to answer the question on everyone's mind - How did this tragic event occur and how might a similar incident be avoided in the future?"

According to Sgt. Walter Bowers, a spokesman for the Alabama State Troopers- Highway Patrol Division, investigators are still looking at the incident as a traffic accident.

Divers have been, and will return, to the Pea River in the vicinity of the recovery site to look for the remains of Reynolds and/or other physical evidence. Bowers said there has been no time limit placed on the investigation.

The victims, and Reynolds, were last seen during the early hours of Saturday morning (approximately 3:15 a.m.), May 8, leaving a nightclub in Opp, Al. No trace of them had been found with numerous law enforcement agencies and family members searching along possible routes of their travel home.

The bridge over Pea River on AL Hwy. 134 in the southern portion of Coffee County was one of the first places checked by both family members and authorities with no indications found that a tragic accident had occurred. However, a search of the site on September 29 by scuba divers resulted in the discovery of the missing car and after more than 3 hours, the vehicle was brought up on the bank of the river.

The car was taken to the forensic lab in Montgomery where the identification process took place.

A final determination of the cause and manner of death in the five identified bodies is pending conclusion of toxicology and investigative analysis.

Area Happenings

AREA FOOTBALL GAMES Area high school football games scheduled for Friday night are as follows: Elba High School is at home against Slocomb; Zion Chapel travels to Houston Academy; New Brockton is on the road against Florala; and Brantley is away against J. U. Blacksher. The Kinston-Straughn game is being played in Straughn Thursday (TONIGHT). All games kick off at 7:30 p.m.

BLOOD DRIVE The American Red Cross and Dorsey Trailers in Elba will sponsor a Blood Drive on Thursday (TODAY), Oct. 28, from 12 Noon until 5 p.m. All blood types are needed, especially O negative and O positive. The Red Cross asks that you take 45 minutes to an hour on Oct. 28 and go to Dorsey Trailers, Inc. to give the gift of life.

ELBA'S CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL The Elba Chamber of Commerce will present its 12th Annual Christmas Festival, "Catch the Holiday Spirit," on Saturday, Nov. 27, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the square in downtown Elba followed by the annual Christmas Parade. The day's events will close with the magical "Christmas Lights" ceremony on the square immediately after the parade. It will be a day of joyful fun as the "Spirit of Christmas." Anyone wishing to sponsor a tree around the square to be decorated with Christmas lights, should contact Kaye Whitworth at the Elba Chamber of Commerce (897-3125).

COLLEGE & SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT at Elba High School for juniors and seniors and their parents will be held November 8, 6:30 p.m.at Elba High School Auditorium.

Constitutional Amendment election still being analyzed by many

The "lottery election" as some called it has come and gone - or at least for the present time.

Political and election analysts have looked at the vote and have tried to determine what went wrong or as some would quickly contend - what went right.

In reviewing the Constitutional Amendment election held just over two weeks ago on Tuesday, October 12, it should be pointed out that two other amendments were on the ballot but seem to have been overshadowed by the educational lottery question.

The other two constitutional amendments dealt with the supernumerary system and the elected city boards of education.

In statewide voting, the first amendment dealing with the education lottery was defeated, the second amendment which was to phase out the supernumerary system passed, and the third amendment passed which will allow a municipality with a city board of education, through a local legislative act, to hold a referendum election regarding changing from an appointed board to an elected board.

Countywide, Coffee County voters went with the state; however, this was not the case in all the municipalities and local precincts.

On amendment one (lottery), five of the rural precincts favored the lottery; Elba, Enterprise, and Kinston voters opposed the lottery; and voting precincts in New Brockton favored the lottery by a slim margin. Absentee voters also voted no.

On the second amendment (supernumeraries), 19 of the 36 voting precincts favored phasing out the supernumerary system. This was a moot question in Coffee County since a local amendment to the Alabama Constitution of 1901 phasing out the supernumerary system was passed overwhelmingly (6,878 to 2383) in November 1998.

On the third amendment dealing with the election of city board of education members, the voters in the cities of Elba and Enterprise, which both presently have an appointed board, passed it with a decisive vote. Voters in the rural precincts with the exception of two (Newbia and Pine Level) approved amendment three. The members of the Coffee County Board of Education are elected.

A complete precinct-by-precinct breakdown of how the vote went on the three amendments in Coffee County can be found on page 17.

NOTICE

Trick or Treat hours for the City of Elba will be 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Saturday, October 30, 1999

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Older Astro vans get up to 538.6 miles on a tank of gasoline. How do we know for sure? Because that is what it was registering recently when it coughed and quit. We mulled that over, figured the miles per gallon, worked a crossword puzzle, etc. while waiting beside the highway for a response to our call for someone to bring some more gasoline. Luck was still on our side that morning as even a lawyer stopped and offered help! Elba attorney Ronnie Penn pulled up and offered help -- then added a knowing smile when he heard the facts.

This is a reminder to please use the recycling facilities set up by the City of Elba. This is a small thing citizens can do to help preserve the beauty and resources of this earth for future generations .... and it doesn't hurt today's society either. In the parking lot behind the old high school there are facilities to accept newspapers, magazines, #1 and #2 plastics, aluminum cans, tin cans and cardboard boxes. They are also working to develop office paper recycling. One family recycling will not make much difference, but a community of families can made quite an impact on the amount of reusable trash going to the garbage dump. Even the cardboard core in a roll of paper towels or the toilet tissue will fit into that reusable category. The tonnage of recyclable materials continues to rise as more and more people become aware of the availability and of the impact on the planet of tomorrow. Just set a cardboard box, or even a kraft grocery sack in the corner or behind the door. When it is full drive by and deposit it with the recycling folks.

There is a proposal bouncing around Alabama that the governor revise his failed lottery-for-education proposal and present it to the voters again. That might be okay somewhere down the road, but right now emotions are entirely too high for the matter to even get serious consideration in the legislature, and surely not from the voters.

The words last week about the Elba visitor from the Miller Beer flood commercial had a glaring error and it was made by yours truly. Sorry folks, but we just don't know our beers. The good side of the story is that a whole lot of Elba folks caught the mistake and called or stopped us on the street to set the matter straight. In thinking about not knowing our beers, here is how little we know about them. In about 1988 or 1989 a Dutch doctor's wife set a German beer down on the table while we were in a deep discussion of her and her doctor husband's real life experiences during WWII. We sipped some to be nice, but didn't like the taste. Then probably in about 1962, while at a nightclub in Phenix City, Ala., with a group of friends we tried again. This time it was a glass of Budweiser. That wasn't good either. We took a few sips and left it on the table. As the foam (or head they call it) settled, my smart friends poured some more into the glass while our back was to the table. They were trying to be cute, but it didn't matter, 'cause by then we knew this was no better than the sample three years earlier. Oh, the floor show at the nightclub wasn't any better and we didn't try that again either!

The official news Monday that authorities can't account for one of the six apparent victims of the Ballard Bridge drowning is horrible for his family. Let us all hope and pray for his loved ones' peace of mind, that the divers will find his remains when they return to the Pea River this week.

If your business handles any old car and/or truck tires, time is running out for you to buy the new state license. After the first of the month there is a $500 additional late charge! Knowing that, you would be real smart to get to the courthouse before closing time Friday afternoon.

Man is the only animal that blushes - or needs to. - Mark Twain

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, October 18, 1999, investigated the following incidents: three thefts of property, one forgery, two harassments, one reckless driving, three DUIs, two assaults, two criminal mischiefs, one illegal breaking and entering of a vehicle, one minor in consumption of alcohol, one VPL, one possession of a controlled substance, one possession of drug paraphernalia, one receiving stolen property, one resisting arrest, and one possession of marijuana.

The following arrests were made: one for disorderly conduct, one for receiving stolen property, one for criminal trespass, one for assault, one for harassment, one for minor in consumption of alcohol, one for VPL, one for negotiation of a non-negotiable instrument, one for possession of a controlled substance, one for disorderly conduct, one for possession of marijuana, one for resisting arrest, and one for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: eleven for speeding, one for no child restraint, one for an improper turn, one for running a stop sign, two for driving while driver's license are revoked, three for DUI, one for an improper tag, one for failure to dim, one for no driver's license, two for driving while driver's license are suspended, and one for expired driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to Beaver Dam Apartments (5:00 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on AL Hwy. 141 (5:33 a.m.); River stage - 3.48 feet (6:28 a.m.); Opp Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence on Brunson Street (9:30 a.m.); Disturbance reported on Putnam Street (5:41 p.m.); Opp Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence on Old Curtis Road (7:03 p.m.).

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19 - River stage - 3.19 feet (6:56 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to a grass fire on Co. Rd. 359 (2:50 p.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20 - River stage - 3.01 feet (6:27 a.m.); Opp Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence on U. S. Hwy. 84W (3:43 p.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Guyton Street (1:39 a.m.); River stage - 2.91 feet (6:57 a.m.); Routine activity.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22 - River stage - 2.88 feet (6:30 a.m.); Alarm at Hardee's (2:58 p.m.); Disturbance (domestic) reported at Crocker's Trailer Court on Old Samson Road (4:19 p.m.);

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23 - Prowler reported on Buford Street (3:48 a.m.); River stage - 2.85 feet (6:48 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Ann Street (9:10 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck at the intersection of AL 167 and Co. Rd. 114 (5:44 p.m.); Alarm at Fred's on the By-pass (7:33 p.m.); Alarm at Fred's on the By-pass (8:30 p.m.).

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24 - Possible prowler reported on Johnson Street (1:09 a.m.); River stage - 2.79 feet (6:25 a.m.); Routine activity.

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Happy Birthday DeVane!!!

Scrap tire handlers' license deadline approaching

The Alabama Department of Revenue reminds businesses and individuals who receive or transport scrap tires to purchase the appropriate scrap tire handlers' license by the close of business Nov. 1. License applicants are allowed an additional business day to purchase their licenses as the deadline, Oct. 31, falls on a Sunday.

After Nov. 1, anyone purchasing a license will be subject to a delinquent $500 penalty. The license is issued at the county level, usually by the probate judge or county license commissioner.

The scrap tire handlers' license law is a new licensing requirement which became effective Oct. 1, 1999, and includes a variety of business operations such as retail tire dealerships, service stations, garages, scrap tire collection facilities, landfills which accept scrap tires, tire recycling facilities, fleet vehicle operators/fleet tire receivers, and anyone involved in the business of transporting scrap tires for delivery to a collection or landfill facility.

In addition to licensing requirements, certain scrap tire handlers are required to meet bonding requirements. Proof of the bond is required when applying for the license.

For more information concerning the scrap tire handlers' licensing law, contact the Alabama Department of Revenue, Severance and License Tax Section, at (334) 353-7827. For information concerning bonding requirements, contact your local county commission office.

Natural Gas rates increase

After 22 months without a change in rates, The Southeast Alabama Gas District's Board of Directors adopted new customer rates at their regularly scheduled Oct. 21 board meeting. The District's service rates to customers will be increased by 2.5 cents per hundred cubic feet (Ccf) effective Oct. 21 for all classes of service except Industrial Interruptible. Industrial Interruptible rates will be effective Nov. 1, and will increase 25 cents per thousand cubic feet (Mcf). Though all customers will be affected by this rate increase, the minimum service charges will remain the same for all classes of service.

This increase became necessary due to substantial increases in natural gas prices from the wellhead. Despite proactive gas purchasing methods in place at The Southeast Alabama Gas District to keep costs lower, natural gas prices are volatile, and remain above levels prevailing at the time the District decreased its rates in January of 1998. The District continues to monitor gas prices and strives to offer customers the highest quality natural gas service at reasonable prices.

For more information applicable to specific service rates, please contact The Southeast Alabama Gas District.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of October 19, 1999, through October 25, 1999. They were: Eleanor Adkinson, Billy Phillips, Ollie Hussey, Juanita Robinson, Travis Martin, Leigh Maddox, Billy Scarborough, Betty Driggers, Shirley Hudson, Jon Carnley, Denise Rodriguez, and Shaca Rena Parrish.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Ollie Hussey, Billy Phillips, Tiavia Martin, Aaron Daniels, Paul Dykes, Jessie Davis, Sallie Lott, Billy Scarborough, Janice Lindsey, Denise Rodriguez, and Barbara Tompkins.

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Farm-City Swap brings about understanding

by Marvin McILwain, Editor

The annual Farm/City Swap took place last Tuesday, October 19, with a judge trading places with a farmer.

This year saw Coffee County Probate Judge William O. Gammill trading places - for a day - with Kenneth Carnley, a farmer from the Ino Community. Annually, this event, held in conjunction with Farm-City Week, allows a business man or woman to see what the farm world is like, and visa versa.

The day started early with Carnley - suit and all - reporting for work at the probate judge's office in the Enterprise Courthouse. Judge Gammill gave him an orientation tour of the office and let him try his hand in all aspects of the office.

It did not take Carnley long to develop a better understanding of the job and a respect for those who perform the daily tasks of the office.

The probate office performs more duties for the county's citizens than most realize. Not only are car tags renewed, but wills are probated, involuntary commitment hearings conducted, adoptions handled, licenses renewed (drivers, hunting, fishing, business, etc.), deeds recorded, marriage licenses issued and marriage ceremonies performed, and many, many other tasks.

One of the tasks "enjoyed" by Carnley was the issuing of a renewal driver's license to Ken Farris, this year's chairman of Coffee County's Farm-City Committee.

"I've come to realize that the business world is more than just nice suit and ties and air conditioned offices," said Carnley. "The public can apply a lot of pressure to those who serve them."

After more than two hours in the probate office, the duo loaded up and headed for Carnley Farms located in Ino.

Judge Gammill dressed in his work clothes - blue jeans and all - to begin his farm chores, which consisted of learning about all the mechanized equipment used in today's modern farming operation. He toured the more than 1,900 cares of cotton, peanut and corn crops and also got a firsthand look at the chicken houses and cattle raising operation.

"It was real enjoyable to see how well the whole operation is run and how much pride the family takes in performing their daily chores," said Judge Gammill.

"I'm excited to be a participant in one of the better programs we do as a county together," he said. "The better understanding we have of our neighbors, the better off we all will be."

Probate Judge William O. Gammill (left) explains some of the everyday duties of his office to Kenneth Carnley (right)

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tion), the bathrooms are not up to date and the building has no heating or cooling," he said.

The councilman told commissioners that he knew it wasn't their fault but he needed their help in getting a better voting facility. He also asked that the voting place not be returned to the funeral home (Coleman Funeral Home was the previous voting place for this precinct).

"A funeral home is just not a place for voting," Gray told commissioners.

Commissioner Bernest Brooks (this precinct is in his district) commented that he had been in contact with the Mulberry Association and they are in the process of working toward renovating the building; however, it is questionable as to whether or not the association will be able to raise the funds necessary to make all the needed repairs.

Commissioner Brooks and the commission agreed to work with Gray in finding a suitable and decent location for the voters to cast their ballot in the next election.

In other matters of business, the commission took the following actions:

***Awarded the primary bid for assisted hauling (assisting the highway department in the hauling of road materials) to Donnell Trucking of Bellwood. Secondary contractors will be Heavy Earth Const. of Dothan and S & C Materials of Troy.

***Credit for use of the county landfill was approved for KW Plastic Recycling of Troy and Energy Control Systems of Ozark.

***Approved resolutions approving the grant application to ADECA for funds to construct senior citizens' centers in the Pine Level and Damascus communities and to underwrite matching funds in the amount of $119,348.00. Commissioners Grimsley and Dalrymple opposed the signing of the resolutions.

***Re-appointed three members to the Coffee County Emergency Communications Board. They were: James Brown-New Brockton; Robert Hooks - Enterprise; and Gloria Webb -county-at-large.

Safety tips to prevent Halloween-related injuries

To help prevent injuries to children this Halloween, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is releasing safety tips. Halloween-related injuries can involve burns from flammable costume ignited by open flames from items such as candles and jack-o'-lanterns, and abrasions from sharp objects attached to masks or costumes.

To help keep children safe, CPSC enforces the Flammable Fabrics Act and recalls products at Halloween and throughout the year that can cause injury. Make this year's holiday a safe one by following these safety tips on costumes, treats and decorations.

Costumes

*When purchasing costumes, masks, beards and wigs, look for flame resistant fabrics such as nylon or polyester or look for the label "Flame Resistant." Flame resistant fabrics will resist burning and should extinguish quickly. To minimize the risk of contact with candles and other fire sources, avoid costumes made with flimsy materials and outfits with big, baggy sleeves or billowing skirts.

* Purchase or make costumes that are light, bright and clearly visible to motorists.

*For greater visibility during dusk and darkness, decorate or trim costumes with reflective tape that will glow in the beam of a car's headlights. Bags or sacks also should be light colored or decorated with reflective tape. Reflective tape is usually available in hardware, bicycle and sporting goods stores.

*Children should carry flashlights to see and be seen.

*Costumes should be well-fitted and not drag on the ground to guard against trips and falls.

*Children should wear well-fitting, sturdy shoes. Oversized high heels are not a good idea.

*Tie hats and scarves securely to prevent them from slipping over children's eyes and obstructing vision.

*If your child wears a mask, make sure it fits securely, provides adequate ventilation, and has eye holes large enough to allow full vision.

*Swords, knives and similar costume accessories should be made of soft, flexible material.

Treats

*Warn children not to eat any treats before an adult has examined them carefully for evidence of tampering.

*Carefully examine any toy or novelty items received by trick-or-treaters under three years of age. Do not allow young children to have any items that are small enough to present a choking hazard or that have small parts or components that could separate during use and present a choking hazard.

Decorations

*Keep candles and jack-o'-lanterns away from landings and doorsteps where costumes could brush against the flame.

*Remove obstacles from lawns, steps and porches when expecting trick-or-treaters.

*Indoors, keep candles and jack-o'-lanterns away from curtains, decorations and other combustibles that could be ignited.

*Indoors or outside, use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or looseconnections. Discard damaged sets.

* Don't overload extension cords.

Consumers can access CPSC's "Halloween Safety Alert" through the Internet at www.cpsc.gov.

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AREA DEATHS

INEZ HENDERSON

Mrs. Inez Henderson, age 79, of Apt. 2D Beaverdam Apartments, Elba, died Oct. 18, 1999 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan.

Funeral services were held Oct. 21, 1999 in the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home of Elba with Rev. Jimmy Eddins officiating. Burial followed in the Zion Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include four **sons**: Bobby Henderson, Samson, Ala., David Henderson, Brundidge, Ala., James Henderson, Tampa, Fla., Roy Henderson, Brantley, Ala.; four **daughters**: Annie Mae Johnson, Elba, Mary Sanders, Troy, Ala., Estelle Sessions and Barbara Wood, both of Samson, Ala.; three **sisters**: Evelyn Allen, Banks, Ala., Hazel Anderson, Troy, Ala., Jean Parrish, Dothan, Ala.; one **brother**: Chester McClendon, Troy, Ala.; 28 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

CHARLIE (BUCK) REYNOLDS

Mr. Charlie (Buck) Reynolds, age 89, of Montgomery, Ala. (formerly of Elba), died Oct. 6, 1999 at a Montgomery hospital.

Funeral services were held Monday, Oct. 11, 1999 at Webster Progressive Funeral Home with Rev. E.W. Murray officiating. Burial followed in Mt. Hillard Baptist Church Cemetery, Shorter, Ala., with Webster Progressive Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include one devoted **niece**: Karen Lynn Harris (William), Montgomery, Ala.; one **sister**: Neoma Smith, Elba; one **brother**: Noah Reynolds Jr., Brooklyn, N.Y.; one **aunt**: Louise Mitchell; one **sister-in-law**: Lizzie (Leroy) Townsend, Montgomery, Ala.; four **brothers-in-law**: Lonza (Mary) Young, Montgomery, Willie Frank (Daphine) Young, Jack (Ulaine) Young and James Young, all of Dothan, Ala.; and other family and friends.

IDA MAE STALLWORTH

Mrs. Ida Mae Stallworth, born Nov. 11, 1907 in Coffee County, died Oct. 14, 1999 at her home.

Funeral services were held Oct. 19, 1999 at Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church in Opp, Ala. with Rev. W.H. Bass officiating. Burial followed in the Harden Street Cemetery with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Mrs. Stallworth was preceded in death by her mother, Aria Burden; her father, Jerry Davis; and her husband, Atlas Stallworth.

Survivors include her **sister**: Alzadie Brundidge, Opp; a **niece**: Margaret Hill; and other relatives.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor:

Governor Seigleman crashed and burned recently when he misjudged the reaction of Alabama voters to his lottery scheme. He now has no clue as to what to do. Lt. Governor Windom, a vocal critic of the Seigleman lottery , was caught asleep at the wheel when the lottery failed and likewise has no clue as to what to do. Windom, a conservative Republican who has embraced the liberal Democrat concept of taxing the rich to give to the poor, penned legislation that would reward the poor with scholarships but deny same to the more affluent who pay most of the taxes. Seigleman, a liberal Democrat embraced the conservative Republican concept of no new taxes and nixed Windom's plan of using tax dollars for scholarships. What a remarkable reversible of roles!

Most legislators are scurrying around trying to figure out how to raise taxes to come up with the $150 million for scholarships. Raffles, tax on lawn mowers, robbing the bloated Education Trust Fund are some of the schemes. I wonder what makes them think we are all at once craving to be taxed for education? One would think that the 9 mil school tax vote in rural Madison County should give them a clue. It failed 2 to 1.

Think about it! The two top executives in our state government and most of the state legislature are in turmoil on this issue. Confusion reigns! So much for our state governments thoughtful planning to fix our failed education system.

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Elba, AL

"YES——BUT...!"

In the Book of Luke 9:61 it says and another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but, let me first bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

Just suppose God tells you to do something that is an enormous test of your faith and your common sense, it's totally goes against it. What would you do? Will you hold back? Knowing that we a creatures of habit we are told that if we do something enough times physically, that every time we are tested in that area, we respond the same way each time, not until we through sheer determination decide to change that habit will we overcome it. The same is true spiritually. Again and again we will come right up to what Jesus wants from us, but time and time again we will turn back and fail the test. Until we are determined to abandon ourselves to God in total surrender, we will have a tendency to say "Yes, Lord, I'll follow, but," "Yes, Lord, but what if; yes, Lord I'll follow as long as you don't ask me to take a step in the dark. If a person is ever going to do anything worthwhile, there will be times when he or she must risk everything by taking a leap in the dark and trust that God knows what is best for us.

There is a story about a man who had been out in the mountains when he got too close to the edge of a cliff and slipped, and over the edge he went. As he was falling, he was able to grab on to a branch that was growing out the side of the mountain. Holding on for his life he began to yell, help, help, please someone help, is any one up there, please help me! When all of the sudden he heard a voice coming from up on top of the cliff. The voice said calmly, let go I'll save you. The man said, "Who's up there?" The voice came calmly again, "It's the Lord, just let go and I'll save you. The man gaining all his strength, looked up, then looked down, and cried, "Is there anyone else up there!"

We are always looking for someone else when God is always there. Christ desires that we would be willing to risk everything we hold on to or believe in through common sense, and take a leap of faith into what he tells us. For once we obey, we will immediately find that what he says is more solid and stable that mere common sense. And when you test God, by the trying of your faith, you will find out that he knows what is best for us. Let's do away with the "Yes Lord, but," concept and believe in that which God has to say to us, our family, and our community, is not "Yes—But....!," but rather God's word is, "Yes——, and Amen....!"

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New Haven plans Homecoming Services For October 31st

New Hope Baptist Church will be holdong Homecoming Services, Sunday, October 31, 1999.

The guest speaker for the morning worship service will be Rev. Jim Strength. A barbecue lunch will follo v in the church fellowship hall.

Homecoming Services planned for New Ebenezer Baptist Church

New Ebenezer Baptist Church in the Curtis community will have homecoming on Sunday, Nov. 7. The speaker will be Rev. Alfred Ikner, former pastor. Lunch will follow in the fellowship hall after the morning service.

All former members, friends and family are invited to join in this day.

Fall Festival and Barbecue to be held at Newbia Baptist Church

Fall Festival and Barbecue will be held Saturday, Oct. 30, from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. at Newbia Baptist Church, located on Coffee County Road 330. The afternoon will be filled with fun and games for the entire family; there will be no fee. Brother Wayne Webber, pastor, and the congregation invite everyone to attend.

Fall Festival to be held at The Church of God of Prophecy

The Elba Church of God of Prophecy will be having a FALL FESTIVAL on Nov. 6 from 4-6 p.m. The church is located on Claxton Ave. (across from the Elba Marketplace) in Elba.

Homecoming to be held at Vanderbilt Holiness Church October 31

Vanderbilt Holiness Church, located on Coffee County Road 114, 1 mile past Southland, will celebrate Homecoming 1999 on Sunday, Oct. 31. Sunday School will begin at 10 a.m., followed by Morning Worship at 11 a.m. with Pastor Roy Turner bringing the message. There will be dinner on the grounds immediately following the morning service. Then, after lunch, "The Moon Family" will be singing in a special afternoon service. Everyone is invited to attend.

Baptist Women's Day of Prayer to be held at First Baptist Church in New Brockton

Baptist Women's Day of Prayer will be held at First Baptist Church New Brockton, Monday, Nov. 1, 7 p.m. This is a worldwide annual event. Everyone is welcomed. The theme is Celebrate the Promises of Christ. Special music will be presented by First Korean Baptist Church Choir.

Faith Chapel Church
on Highway 189
will be hosting a
Fall Festival
on Saturday, October 30
From 3:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Join us for games, prizes
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Game Tickets Are
25¢ Each.

Camp Meeting for Oct. planned at Mustard Seed Foundation

Mustard Seed Camp Meeting will be held throughout the month of October, beginning at 7 o'clock each night.

Different speakers and singers will be ministering on different days during the camp meeting.

For more information contact the Mustard Seed Foundation.

Everyone is invited.

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Scripture: Romans 13:1-14

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***The Mulberry Missionary District Ministers, Deacons, and Laymen's Union will convene with the Antioch Baptist Church, Dozier, Ala., on Oct. 31 at 9:45 a.m. Rev. Gary Barnes, pastor, Rev. J.M. Bryant, president.

***One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Session of the Mulberry Association, Incorporated Affiliation with the Alabama State Missionary Baptist Convention to be held at the Mulberry Educational Building, Hwy. 166, Elba on Nov. 11, 12, 13.

***Ordination Services for Bro. Earl Kelley and Bro. Fred Daniels at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Elba on Nov. 7 at 2 p.m. Devotion by Mt. Calvary and visiting officers. The choir will render music. Sermon by Rev. J.C. Fryer, pastor of Greater Sardis Baptist Church, Clayton, Ala. and Clay Hill Baptist Church, Elba. Everyone has a special invitation.

***Benefit Program for Bro. and Sis. Frank Phillips will be Nov. 14 at Bethel A.M.E. Church in Elba. Sis. Juanita Rodgers will be M.C. Opening song by the Miller family. Welcome by Sis. Susie Johnson. Prayer by Rev. S. Smith and scripture by Rev. Moore. Special dedication and song by Bro. Randy Miller. No enrollment fee. Only donations.

***This Is Your Brother Production presents the dramatic play, "Flaye," coming to a stage near you soon! This play is written and directed by Winzell Gray of Elba, who also wrote the play, "Cinnamon." The play is about a mother with two children D.D. and Jr. Flaye's husband, Chris, is very abusive, partly from the downsizing of his job. Place, date and time of this production will be announced later.

***Our Youth

The Annals of history
Needs no proof
Our greatest assets
Are our youth.

They live amid
Vast temptations
A society of much doing
Without hesitation.

A people with minds
Minds so great
But the heart is empty
that's the mistake.

Our youth need
direction you see
A bright and prosperous future
Is the right key.

A joyous world
Would most certainly suffice
A centered life
Around Christ.

Give them vision
And lots of hope
Keep their spirits up
And off the ropes.

Be a good role model
To those in need
Help them to realize
And to achieve.

Keep their minds focused
Their chin up as well
Pat them on their back
Tell them they're swell.

And when they become success - ful
We'll know the truth
They are our greatest challenge
Our Youth!

(This poem was composed by Winzell Gray)

Today is a good day, be grateful!
Eria

Old fashioned gospel singing planned at Pleasant Ridge

Pleasant Ridge Church (near Victoria) will have an old fashioned gospel singing on Saturday, Oct. 30, at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Gospel singing planned at Church of God of Prophecy

The Elba Church of God of Prophecy will be having a gospel singing on Nov. 6 starting at 7 p.m. We will be featuring the local talent from the church. Refreshments will be served following the singing. The church is located on Claxton Ave. (across from the Elba Marketplace) in Elba.

Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Sam Totten, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even.Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....6:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Darryl Caldwell, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class....6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Elbert Smith, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even.Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even.Worship....6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST
Rev. Bennett Abbott, Pastor
Church Service....9:30 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School....9:30 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School....11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
E. H. Hill, Minister
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....12:00 noon
1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sundays

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. William Frank, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even.Worship....7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training....5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship....6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed....7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST CHURCH
Bernard Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Randy Neal, Minister
Bible Study....9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROHECY
J. E. Wesley, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon....5:30 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Homer F. Moore, Pastor
Sunday School....9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship....10:30 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor
Sunday School....9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....6:15 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. John I. Baxter, Pastor
Sunday School....9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....10:00 a.m.
Even. Services....6:00 p.m.
Wed.Bible Study....6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
J. L. Grayer, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Totten, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Danny Sherrer, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study....7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS
Andy Marler, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Willie L. Peterson, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. John I. Baxter, Pastor
Morn. Worship....8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirlie Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH
Mark Jankoski, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting....7:00 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting....6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Gerry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting....7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Stephen Dubose, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:15 p.m.

KINSTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
John Freeman, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Training Union....5:00 p.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Ron & Mary Stinson, Pastors
Saturday Service....9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Youth Service....6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Bobby Driver, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting....7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Hubert McWaters, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.

MT. ZION HOLINESS
Jimmie Bryan, Minister
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.
Tues. Prayer Service....6:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Ray Layton, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.

MULBERRY HTS. CHURCH OF CHRIST
R. B. Williams, Minister
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class....6:30 p.m.

MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION
Mary Seavey
Sunday Morn. Service....10:30 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service....5:00 p.m.

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.
Hirron & Linda Williams, Ministers
Sunday....10 & 11 a.m.
Sunday Even....7:00 p.m.
Wed. Even....7:30 p.m.
Fri. Even....7:30 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Wayne Webber
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST
Rev. Ben McKee, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Elbert Smith, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Bible Study....5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST
Rev. Faron Golden, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship....5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ben Amlong, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Walter Faulk, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Serv....6:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
J. C. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Lorearl Flowers, Minister
Sunday School....9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:30 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:30 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Keith Price, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:30 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME
Rev. F. L. Flowers, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....7:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Larry Wise, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....7:00 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Rev. Silas Maulden
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.
Tues Bible Study....7:00 p.m.
Thurs. Night Service....7:00 p.m.
Friday Prayer Meeting....5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Ron Stallard, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Evangelistic Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....7:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
John D. Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. Tony Dye, Pastor
Sunday School....9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....10:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....7:00 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....7:00 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST
Rev. Alfred Ikner, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet....7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service....7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Jimmy Maddox, Pastor
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.

ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH
Nathan Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m.
Even. Service....6:00 p.m.

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LIFESTYLES

The Twentieth Century Study Club met October 14th at the Elba Public Library

The Twentieth Century Study Club held the monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 14, at the Elba Public Library. Mrs. Doris Cooper and Mrs. Peggy Stroud were hostesses.

Mrs. Deanna Culbertson, instructor of college, was the speaker for the evening. Mrs. Culbertson informed the club members of the importance of learning to be a good reader in order to succeed in college or out in the working world. She led the group in an entertaining game of building paper box. She proved that we each learn our best in different ways; by instructions being told to us, by reading the instructions ourselves, or by demonstration.

Mrs. Culbertson gave suggestions for very simple ways to learn to read better and really enjoy it. She gave handouts for everyone to get started on improving their reading habits.

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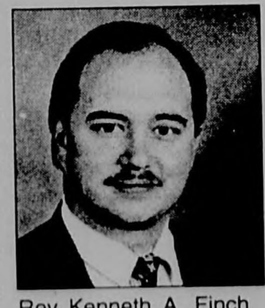

Rev. Kenneth A. Finch

Elba First Assembly of God, would like to invite you to hear one of it s former pastor's now living in Florida, Rev. Kenneth A. Finch.

Rev. Kenneth A. Finch is an Ordained Minister with years of pastoral experience and has worked as a Chaplain and Therapist providing inpatient treatment.

He is host and producer of a daily community education radio program, integrating psychology and spirituality entitled, *Practical Christian Living*. This radio show has recently syndicated and is heard in four states.

He is currently in private practice as Licensed Mental Health Counselor, providing individual, family and group therapy.

There will be special music and gifts given away. After the service there will be a Homecoming Fellowship Dinner. All are invited to attend and enjoy the celebration. For info. call 897-6625.

Johnson Reunion

The children of Matt and Idell Johnson (deceased) held their reunion at the home of Mrs. Louise Cox on Oct. 16. Everyone enjoyed the day of fellowship and food.

Those attending were: Mrs. Arkie Hodge, Mrs. Mary Hodge, and Mrs. Ann Bowers - granddaughters, all of Elba; Mrs. Bessie Rogers, Winter Garden, Fla.; Mrs. Daisy Lawson, New Brockton; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bryant, Winter Garden, Fla.; Mrs. Louise Cox, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. John Hair, Mrs. and Mrs. John Rucker and Brittany, Montgomery; Elvester and Tony Johnson, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. Tony Bowers, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bowers and baby, Birmingham, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hicks, Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.; Kathy Sue Valenti and husband, Panama City, Fla.; Margie Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Lawson and Cindy, New Brockton; Eddie Bryant and Jermiah, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Bryant and baby, Samson, Ala.; Mr. Teddie Bryant, Valarie and Corey Bryant, Winter Garden, Fla.; Mr. Billy Cox, Ozark, Ala.; and Mr. and Mrs. Brandy Cox, Troy, Ala.

Aalea Garden Club awards door prize at their October meeting

The Azalea Garden Club met at the Elba Public Library on Oct. 13. Members present were: Nona Cooper, Betty Cox, Judy Eastburn, Martha Girdner, Martha Guerrero, Ruth Inman, Carol Jackson, Katherine Kelly, Betty Rogers and Betty Vaughan. The meeting was called to order by President Carol Jackson.

The club was recognized at the September District Meeting in Clayhatchee for winning the Gold Seal Club of Distinction.

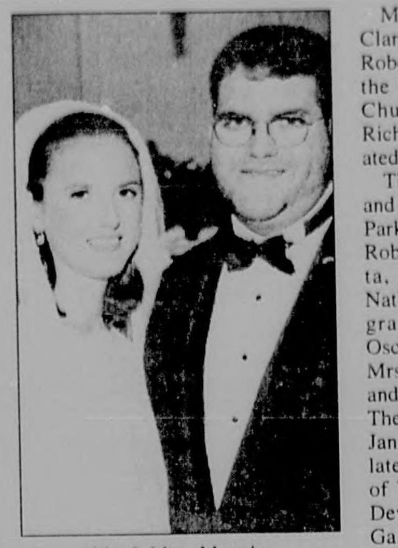
Yard of the Month was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy B. Smith, 2816 Hickman Ave., Elba.

Ruth Inman served as hostess and had beautiful fall decorations on each table. Betty Rogers gave pertinent information on the planting and care of Chrysanthemums. A door prize was donated by the Briar Patch.

NOTICE TO THE CLASS OF 1954

The Elba High School Class of 1954 will hold its 45-year class reunion on Oct. 29-30, 1999. Some of the weekend's events are: (1) ride the float in the Homecoming Parade; (2) sit together during the football game; (3) party after the game at Aunt B's Bed & Breakfast; (4) Saturday breakfast at Shoney's; and (5) catered dinner (cost $7 each) at EHS cafeteria Saturday at 7 p.m. Please call Bobby Hudson (897-6918), Charles Ellis (897-2419), Jack Parker (897-2409), or Myra Kelley (897-6353).

Moody–Clark wedding held September 10th


Mr. & Mrs. Moody

Miss Elizabeth (Libby) Lee Clark became the bride of Joshua Robert Moody on Sept. 18, 1999 at the Lake Park United Methodist Church in Lake Park, Ga. Rev. Richard Soper of Lake Park officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Scott Clark of Lake Park. The groom is the son of Mrs. Robbie Blanton Moody of Valdosta, Ga. and the late Dr. Roy Nathaniel Moody. The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Chastain of Hayneville, Ala.; Mrs. Louise Clark of Selma, Ala.; and Mr. James Clark of Elba, Ala. The groom is the grandson of Mrs. Jane Moody of Jesup, Ga. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blanton of Valdosta, Ga., and the late Mr. Dewey Eugene Moody Sr. of Jesup, Ga.

Nuptial music was presented by Mrs. Susan Steel of Valdosta, Ga. Vocalists were Miss Latitia Hernandez and Mr. Dan Adcock. They sang the duet "From This Moment On" and Miss Hernandez sang "The Father Says I Do."

The alter was decorated with magnolia leaves and blossoms. The alter table was adorned with tube roses and the unity candles. Family pews were marked with tulle bows.

Mandy Moore of Duluth, Ga., served as Maid of Honor. The attendants were Susan Spires, Valdosta, Ga., sister of the bride; Lori Reeder, Roswell, Ga., cousin of the bride; Elizabeth Moody, Valdosta, Ga., and Andrea Maurer, Marietta, Ga., sisters of the groom; and Melanie Edwards, Remerton, Ga.

The attendants wore emerald green silhouette ankle length dresses. The neck and sleeves were edged in emerald green satin. They carried hand tied bouquets of calla lilies and roses.

Best man was Bo Norman of Valdosta, Ga. The groomsmen were Scott Clark, Lake Park, Ga, brother of the bride; Eric Davidson, Duluth, Ga.; Jay Maurer, Marietta, Ga., brother-in-law of the groom; Jeff Rash, Atlanta, Ga.; and Allen Strickland, Lake Park, Ga. Junior groomsman was Hunter Stuckey, Jesup, Ga., cousin of the groom.

Flower girls were Bishop Reeder, cousin of the bride of Roswell, Ga., and London Stuckey, Jesup, Ga., cousin of the groom. They wore white ankle length French handsewn dresses with shadow embroidery made by the bride's mother, Pam Clark. Ring bearer was Larry Harold, Greenville, Ala., cousin of the bride. He wore an ivory moire outfit with a portrait collar and knickers.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a candlelight bridal satin A-line dress with cut-away lace medallions and pearls on the sleeves. The bodice was Alencon lace embroidered with seed pearls. A deep band of lace and pearls bordered the hemline of the skirt.

The cathedral length veil of candlelight tulle and embroidered Alencon lace, was accented with pearls and held in place by a pearl covered band.

The dress and veil originally designed by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Eunice Chastain, was previously worn by the bride's mother, sister and other family members. Libby was the seventh bride to wear this heirloom bridal ensemble.

The bride's bouquet was calla lilies, roses, and baby's breath wrapped in a linen handkerchief and ivory satin ribbon. The handkerchief was a gift from the groom's mother.

The reception, given by the bride's parents, was held at the Lake Park United Methodist Church and the Lake Park Civic Center. Servers were Mrs. Cecelia Swayze, Mrs. Mary Laura Norman, Mrs. Suzanne DeMersseman, Mrs. Lynne Stiefel, Mrs. Elaine LaHood, all of Valdosta, Ga. Also serving were Mr. Shelby Spires, Valdosta, Ga, brother-in-law of the bride; and Mr. Edward Miller, Selma, Ala., uncle of the bride.

After a wedding trip to Ixtapa, Mexico, the couple resides in Valdosta, Ga.

Three-In-One Study Club holds October meeting

The October meeting of the Three In One Study Club met in the home of Mrs. E.M. Warr with three guests present, Mrs. Rhonda Brunson, Miss Sidney Brunson and Mrs. Sara Strong.

Mrs. Wilson Newman, president, presiding. A delicious salad plate was served by the hostess.

Mrs. Brunson gave a very impressive and interesting illustration on preparing and wrapping beautiful Red Riding Hood baskets. She named edible pleasures with luscious descriptions of the many good foods offered.

Mrs. Buck Smart gave an inspirational talk on how to find happiness.

Those present were: Mrs. Jim Williams, Mrs. Milton Warr, Mrs. Buck Smart, Mrs. Wilson Newman, Mrs. Vivian Lee, Mrs. Ed Hudson, Mrs. Donald Lee, Mrs. Pauline Allen and Mrs. Harley Hasty.

NOTICE TO THE CLASS OF 1974

The Elba High School Class of 1974 will have its 25th Class Reunion in conjunction with Homecoming Festivities on the weekend of Oct. 29 & 30. Letters are being mailed the week of Oct. 4 to all class members whose addresses are known to the committee. If you do not receive a letter, or would like additional information, please call Mike McGuire at 897-2229 (office) or Alice Brunson Maddox at 897-3200 (home).

NOTICE TO THE CLASS OF 1969

Reunion planned for Oct. 29-30, 1999. For more information, call Melba Hollinghead (897-5505), Joan Ward (897-5239), or Johnny Martin (897-5084).

NOTICE TO THE CLASS OF 1989

Elba High School's Class of 1989 will hold it's 10-year class reunion on Oct. 29-30, 1999. The weekend's events are currently being planned. Various information and money is needed by Oct. 1, 1999 from class members planning to attend the reunion. If you have any questions, call (770) 412-1907. Please make plans now to join us

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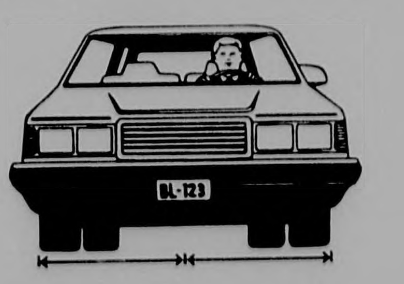

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SCHOOLS

Middle School SGA Meets

Shannon Allen was elected president of the Middle School Student Government Association during its first meeting in September. The other officers elected at this meeting were: Vice President Jeremy Sanders, Secretary Heather Sanders, Treasurer Kenna Roberts, and Reporter TJ Winters. Representatives chosen from the sixth and seventh grades are Byron McWaters, Rosanna Johnson, Haley Wambles, Abe Childs, Lindsey Leverett, D.J. Stinson, Kenna Roberts, Austin Smith, and Nicole Brown.

The SGA met again in October and the business included a financial report by Treasurer Kenna Roberts. Middle School student behavior, Homecoming activities, a Christmas dance, and a spring dance were other items on the agenda.

WTVY Weatherman Makes Presentation

by **Kayla Eddins**

Jeff Sanders, a personality from WTVY-TV in Dothan, Ala., shared with the Zion Chapel Middle School students the highlights of his job as a weatherman.

He arrived at Zion Chapel in time to eat lunch with the sixth and seventh grade students before all went to the auditorium to view a program on weather.

Volunteers were chosen from the audience to represent high and low pressure, while he was explaining certain causes of the weather. Storm drills were demonstrated so that the students would know how to respond to bad weather. After the program was over, members of the audience were given the opportunity to ask questions. Although a variety of very interesting questions were asked, a really big questions that needed to be answered was, "Is it going to rain Friday night?."

Mrs. Deadre Henson, middle school science teacher, was responsible for having Mr. Sanders visit the school. She said that she and the students were very pleased to have him at Zion Chapel. Mrs. Henson and the officers of the Middle School Student Government Association presented Mr. Sanders with a Zion Chapel hat and shirt. Mr. Sanders said that he would wear the hat that night as he presented the weather on WTVY.

BE CAREFUL!

Zion Chapel High School REBEL NEWS

Rachel Bryan, Sponsor

Sanders DAR Good Citizen

Alan Sanders

Alan Sanders, a member of the Class of 2000, has been chosen DAR Good Citizen. Three seniors, one of whom was Alan, were nominated by the faculty of the high school. These three names were then submitted to the members of the senior class who made the final selection.

Alan is the son of Phil and Cindy Sanders and has three younger brothers, Jon, Jeremy, and Jason. Jon is in the tenth grade and the twins, Jeremy and Jason, are in the seventh grade.

Alan is a member of the Rebel band where he plays drums and is the co-capitan of the'line. He is also a bass guitar player. He participates in motocross racing, BMX riding, basketball and soccer playing, and skateboarding. He is a member of SGA, FFA, FHA, FBLA, and Believers in Christ. His future plans include going to college to become a teacher, and he would like to open his own business.

The DAR Good Citizens Program and Scholarship Contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The program is open to all senior class students enrolled in accredited public or private secondary schools which are in good standing with the State Board of Education. United States citizenship is not a requirement. The students selected as the school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism to an outstanding degree. Dependability includes truthfulness, loyalty, and punctuality. Service includes cooperation, courtesy, and consideration of others. Leadership includes personality, self-control, and the ability to assume responsibility. Patriotism includes unselfish interest in family, school, community, and nation.

Coffee County Schools Menu forNovember 1 - 5, 1999

BREAKFAST

- **Monday** - Cinnamon Raisin Biscuit, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Tuesday** - Cheese Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Wednesday** - French Toast, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Thursday** - Cheese Grits, Toast, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Friday** - Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

- **Monday** - Hamburger, Cheese Pizza, Fresh Veggies w/Dip, Butter Beans, Fruit, Rice Krispie Treat, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle Slices, Milk
- **Tuesday** - Nachos & Cheese, Chicken Nuggets, Corn on Cob, Oven Fries, Fruit, Rolls, Milk
- **Wednesday** - Barbecue or Steak Sandwich, Stir Fry Veggies, Onion Rings, Fruit, Chocolate Pudding, Milk
- **Thursday** - Turkey Roast, Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Mixed Vegetables, English Peas, Fruit, Garlic Bread, Milk
- **Friday** - Burrito, Ham Sandwich, Garden Salad, Refried Beans, Fiesta Rice, Fruit, Milk, Salsa

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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1999

REVENUES			
STATE	$7,979,423.00		
FEDERAL	1,436,589.87		
LOCAL	2,818,804.39		
OTHER			
TOTAL REVENUES	12,234,817.26		
OTHER FINANCING			
FUND TRANSFERS IN	301,778.62		
OTHER SOURCES	69,876.24		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING	371,654.86		
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING	12,606,472.12		$12,606,472.12
		FUND BALANCE 10-1-98	$ 2,091,7[illegible]9.04
		TOTAL	$ 14,698,211.16
EXPENDITURES			
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	$ 6,797,124.16		
INSTRUCT. SUPPORT SERV	$ 1,566,385.69		
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	$ 596,297.44		
AUXILIARY SERVICES	$ 1,613,477.17		
GENERAL ADMIN. SERV.	$ 507,690.78		
CAPITAL OUTLAY	$ 244,522.99		
DEBT SERVICE			
PRINCIPAL	$ 135,000.00		
INTEREST	$ 51,110.00		
OTHER DEBT SERV.	$ 1,095.45		
OTHER EXPENDITURES	$ 147,395.24		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 11,660,098.92		
OTHER FUND USES			
TRANSFERS OUT	$ 441,045.54		
OTHER FUND USES	$ 5,127.62		
TOTAL OTHER FUND USES	$ 446,173.16		
TOTAL EXPEND. & OTHER FUND USES	$ 12,106,272.08		$ 12,106,272.08
		FUND BALANCE 9-30-99	$ 2,591,939.08
		TOTAL	$ 14,698,211.16

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS	1992	SPECIAL TAX	$ 1,105,000.00
	1993	DISTRICT TAX	$ 555,000.00

SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS TO MATURITY

YEAR ENDED		1992 PRINCIPAL	SERIES INTEREST	1993 PRINCIPAL	SERIES INTEREST	TOTAL
SEPT 30,	2000	$ 95,000.00	$ 66,812.50	$ 50,000.00	$ 32,202.50	$ 244,015.00
	2001	$ 105,000.00	$ 61,682.50	$ 50,000.00	$ 29,452.50	$ 246,135.00
	2002	$ 105,000.00	$ 55,802.50	$ 55,000.00	$ 26,457.50	$ 242,260.00
	2003	$ 115,000.00	$ 49,712.50	$ 55,000.00	$ 23,212.50	$ 242,925.00
	2004	$ 120,000.00	$ 42,812.50	$ 60,000.00	$ 19,687.50	$ 242,500.00
	2005	$ 130,000.00	$ 35,312.50	$ 65,000.00	$ 15,781.25	$ 246,093.75
	2006	$ 135,000.00	$ 27,187.50	$ 70,000.00	$ 11,562.50	$ 243,750.00
	2007	$ 145,000.00	$ 18,750.00	$ 70,000.00	$ 7,187.50	$ 240,937.50
	2008	$ 155,000.00	$ 5,328.50	$ 80,000.00	$ 2,500.00	$ 242,828.50
TOTAL		$ 1,105,000.00	$ 363,401.00	$ 555,000.00	$ 168,043.75	$ 2,191,444.75

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FBLA Members Attend Leadership Conference

by **Ceretha Towles**

"Make The Connection—Failure is not an option!" was the theme of the first annual Joint Leadership Development Conference held in October in Birmingham. This conference was attended by Ceretha Towles, Mandi Green and Heather Arnold who were accompanied by their sponsor, Mrs. Rachel Bryan. These students are members of the Zion Chapel Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA).

Conference attendance was made available to prospective leaders from all the career/technical organizations including FFA, FCCLA, TSA, VICA, FBLA, DECA, and HOSA. FFA is an organization for students enrolled in agriscience classes and it used to be known as Future Farmers of America. In recent years the organization has adopted just the initials as the name for the organization. FCCLA is a new name for FHA or Future Homemakers of America. VICA stands for Vocational and Industrial Clubs of America and its members are enrolled in a variety of career/technical courses including such things as auto mechanics and carpentry. HOSA stands for Health Occupation Students of America. These are examples of the clubs that were represented at the conference.

The conference was designed to provide leadership development and it consisted of over 30 leadership development workshops focusing on career skill building, self-improvement, communication, and chapter management.

Ceretha Towles and Rachel Bryan

The motivational speaker for the First General Session was Mr. Jim Wand, a master hypnotist. He invited several representatives from each organization to join him onstage and be hypnotized. While under a hypnotic trance, the volunteers provided the audience with lively entertainment. Mr. Wand explained that everyone has the power to achieve whatever goals they set if they use the power of their mind. Immediately following the adjournment of this session, a dance was held.

The keynote speaker for the Second General Session was Mrs. Patty Hendrickson. She was also a conference facilitator, and she held several workshops throughout the day on Saturday. Her workshops focused on people getting involved with the people around them. Mrs. Hendrickson had many activities for these workshops that gave everyone a hands-on experience with what she was trying to teach. Her workshops also highly promoted making new acquaintances.

Middle School Math Class Studies Graphs & Stats

Graphing and analyzing statistics were the focus of study recently in the seventh grade math classes instructed by Mrs. Jane Coale. The members of the classes made up the survey questions and then each member answered the questions.

After the questions were asked and answered, the data was compiled by dividing the classes into groups who tallied the results. Graphs were then constructed that reflected the results of the data compilation. The last activity of the class was to summarize all they had learned from this activity.

ZC Rebel Band to perform at Troy State game

The Zion Chapel High School Marching Band will help make history at Troy State University Nov. 6 at halftime of the TSU-Sam Houston State game.

The band will perform along with 19 other school bands and the TSU Sound of the South Marching Band in the largest halftime show ever held at Memorial Stadium. The occasion is the band program's first Band Day, according to Robert W. Smith, Director of Bands at TSU.

"We'll have about 1,400 people marching and playing at one time," he said. "That's a record number of performers for Memorial Stadium. We're pleased Director Michael Bird is bringing his outstanding band to Troy State."

Smith said the combined bands will perform "Celebration" by Kool and the Gang, and "My Home's in Alabama" by country music superstars Alabama. The bands will perform at halftime, and kickoff for the game is set for 11 a.m. at Richard M. Scrushy Field at Memorial Stadium. For tickets, call the TSU Athletic Department at 1-877-TSU-TICS.

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FBLA Leadership Change

by **Jessica Kelley**

The election of a new executive vice president and the opportunity to inform seventh and eighth graders about a Middle Level Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) were the reasons for a special called meeting of FBLA that was recently held.

Daphne Jinright, former executive vice president, moved into the office of president which was recently vacated by a school transfer. Morgan Hodge was elected to the position of executive vice president. Morgan was club treasurer and it was decided that the executive council would make a decision about how that office would be filled. Their decision will be presented to the membership for approval.

Morgan Hodge

Presentations were made by several senior level members on membership, conferences, competitions, and goals of FBLA. It was reported that the dues for the middle level chapter would be $8 and that the deadline for paying those dues would be November 1. Mrs. Bryan explained how FBLA members involve themselves in community service and described some projects that have been conducted in the past. She informed the membership that preliminary plans had begun for projects for both chapter levels this year. Ceretha Towles gave a report on the overall achievement, leadership, and career development of the Zion Chapel Chapter.

Middle level prospective members were told about the activities planned for them this year. These activities include a local business tournament just for middle level members. This tournament will include competitions in several areas including General Business, FBLA Policies and Procedures, Keyboarding, Computer Literacy, Public Speaking, and Parliamentary Procedure. The senior level members hope that such a tournament will encourage junior high students at Zion Chapel to take busines courses and to stay in the FBLA organization and become active members on the senior high level.

SUPPORT REBEL FOOTBALL

Firms Announce Recall of Flammable Spray String

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), three firms, Stelex Enterprises Inc., of Los Angeles,

Calif.; Major Import, of Whittier, Calif.; and LeSa Yang Family Ltd. of Diamond Bar, Calif., are recalling about 912,000 cans of spray string sold under the names "Crazy Ribbon" and "Crazy String." These spray strings' propellant is extremely flammable, creating a serious risk of burn injuries when sprayed near an open flame, such as birthday candles. Flammable products intended for use by children are banned by federal law.

CPSC is aware of at least one report of a burn injury resulting from the use of these spray strings. An 11-year-old boy suffered serious burns during his

birthday party that left permanent scars. Crazy Ribbon sprays strings of various colors, and comes in a round metal spray can about 6.5 inches high. The can is silver with a plastic cap that matches the color of the spray string. Depictions of various colored streamers cover the can. Writing on the can includes "CRAZY RIBBON" in multicolored block letters,

"FOR PARTY CELEBRATION AND DECORATION," and "MADE IN TAIWAN."

Crazy String also sprays strings of various colors, and comes in a round metal spray can about 6.5 inches high. The can is silver with a plastic cap that matches the color of the spray string. Depictions of various colored streamers cover the can. Writing on the can includes "CRAZY STRING," "FOR PARTY CELEBRATION AND DECORATION," and "MADE IN TAIWAN."

Party and hobby stores nationwide sold the spray string from October 1996 through July 1999 for between $2 and $4.

Consumers should take these spray strings away from children and stop using it immediately. It can be returned to the store where purchased for a refund. For more information, call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 anytime.

SCHOOLS

Co-Op Spotlight

by **Natasha Bannin**

This week's co-op spotlight focuses on Natasha Bannin. Natasha is employed at Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home. Her job duties include spending time with residents during an activity, as well as in their rooms one on one. She also completes paperwork.

Natasha is the daughter of Lilly Bannin and is a senior at Elba High. She is involved in Sr. Beta, VICA, FCA, and First Priority. Natasha is also actively involved in the youth group at Elba First Assembly of God. Her future plans are to attend Troy State University and major in Radiology.

Tiger Tales

Editors: Kimberly Ward, Cammie Kelley

TIGER BRIEFS

New Food

by **Stephanie Williams**

There is nothing students at EHS enjoy more than the cafeteria food. Well, okay, maybe that is not true. But, the students are starting to enjoy lunch more with the new additions to the menu. Besides the usual chicken filet, hamburger, steakfingers, and chicken nuggets, some new food has come into the lives of students. Burritos, for example have made their way into the students' hearts and stomachs. Instead of green beans, rice, field peas, corn, baked beans, and cabbage, we now have red beans and rice!! The new menu choices are a great addition to the familiar food.

Visiting the Vet

by **Emilee Qualls**

During the past few months, Elba High School has been inviting several people to come talk to the seniors on their career choices. On Thursday, Oct. 7, Dr. Lester Donaldson from Lester Donaldson Veterinarian Hospital in Enterprise came to talk to the seniors about a career in Veterinarian medicine. Dr. Donaldson talked about the requirements needed for veterinarian practice, the courses needed in college, all the work that went into this career, all the different animals and how to treat them, and last but not least, the salary that a veterinarian makes a year. It was a great learning experience for the seniors.

A Look Back At Past Homecomings

by **Cammie Kelley**

Homecoming has always been and forever will be a tradition at EHS. It is a very special chaotic time. However, many people get caught up in the excitement of homecoming and forget to remember the memories of the past. This timeline is a helpful reminder of the many traditions held in the past at EHS.

**The first Homecoming was held in 1951. Jean Kemp Cade was the first Homecoming Queen.

**In 1952, the Homecoming Queen was Martha Jean Padgett Davis.

**Barbara Stuckey was the Homecoming Queen in 1964.

**Susan Russell was the Homecoming Queen in 1968.

**Vicki Vaughan was the Homecoming Queen in 1971. The Elba Tigers played Hartford for Homecoming. Elba won 34-7. The Tigers were invited to play in the Second Annual Freedom Bowl that same year. They played the Dora Bulldogs from Birmingham.

**Sherrie Donaldson was Homecoming Queen in 1981. Ashford played the Tigers at "Foggy Bottom." Elba lost 15-13.

**In 1989, the Elba Tigers rallied over Troy, 42-7. It was a sweet Homecoming for the Tigers.

**In 1991, Susan Johnson was Homecoming Queen. Elba played Rehobeth and won 26-7. That same year, Elba competed in the state quarter finals. They played Dallas County and lost 0-12.

**In 1998, Julie Roberson was crowned Homecoming Queen. The Elba Tigers played the Clayton Tigers. Elba fought hard and brought home a victory.

The Elba Tigers rallied over the Clayton Tigers last year. Hopefully, they will gain the last win of the season on October 29 when they play the Slocomb Red Tops. Everyone should come cheer on the Tigers and take part in all of Elba High School's Homecoming traditions.

HOMECOMING PARADE ROUTE
October 29 @ 3:00 p.m.

The floats and marching units of the parade will line up at the old football stadium and high school parking lot. They will then proceed along the following route: Dixon Street to the Troy Highway; then south on the Troy Highway by Cook Chevrolet to Claxton Avenue by Hardee's and The Peoples Bank; left on Buford to Court Street; right on Court Street by Martin's to Davis Street; left on Davis Street by Ace Hardware to Factory Ave; left on Factory Ave. by the old Skinner's and City Hall to Collier Street; left on Collier Street by SouthTrust Bank to Carnley Avenue; right on Carnley Avenue to Newton Street; right on Newton Street and back to the staging area.

Tiger Band Blows Away Competition

by **Sara K. Miller**

On Saturday, Oct. 9, the Elba Marching Tigers traveled to Prattville for the Heart of Dixie band competition.

The students arrived at the school early in the morning and were greeted by many parents. These parents were Band Boosters who were there to feed the band breakfast.

The students then loaded the buses for the long, two-hour ride to Prattville. When the band got to Prattville, they unloaded and got dressed. While everyone was changing, it began to rain. The spirits quickly began to dwindle.

The band then went to the warm up area and played through some rough parts. By this time, the band members were all very discouraged. As they all gathered around Mr. Ellis, he told them to focus, do their best, and everything else would just fall into place.

He said, "Elba is known for rain, so you can do your best regardless of it."

As the Tigers marched onto the field, the rain poured down heavily. The Elba Band played, twirled, and danced their hearts out! Later that night, after the rain had stopped, the wet kids sat there in anticipation until the scores were called out.

The Elba Marching Tigers received perfect superior scores all the way across the board! The Drum Majors, Kimberly Ward and Ashley Harrelson, received a Best in Class award and the Band received 2nd place. The following week, the Marching Tigers traveled to Opp for the Little Big Horn Contest.

Elba Elementary School Menu November 1 - 5, 1999

BREAKFAST

- **Monday** - Cheese Sandwich, 1/2 Orange, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Tuesday** - Waffles, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Wednesday** - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Thursday** - Breakfast Pizza, 1/2 Apple, Cereal, Juice, Milk
- **Friday** - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

- **Monday** - Hamburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Pear Slices, Milk
- **Tuesday** - Chicken Fingers, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit Cocktail, Milk
- **Wednesday** - Vegetable Beef Soup, Cheese Sandwich, 1/2 Orange, Crackers, Milk
- **Thursday** - Burrito w/ Cheese, Rice, Green Salad, 1/2 Apple, Milk
- **Friday** - Hot Dog, Potato Rounds, Corn, Brownie, Milk

Behind The Scenes...

by **Katie Vaughan**

In May 1999, 11 students were chosen as members of Elba High School's Journalism Staff. Ironically, the 11 students are all girls.

The students were told that they would be putting together the 2000 yearbook, broadcasting a bi-weekly television show and writing articles for the school newspaper. What the girls did not know is that they would do all of the work on the yearbook and be graded on how many ads were sold to raise money.

Filming the TV show can last an entire class time, and that interrupts deadlines. Articles are also written and due on Thursday for *The Elba Clipper*.

In order for certain deadlines to be met, the articles are written during the holidays, nights, and weekends. The students even come back during the summer to finish the yearbook. During this time of chaos, they still find time to recognize each girl on her birthday.

Recently, a party was held for our teacher, Julie Norris, after we were told that she will be giving birth to triplets.

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American Flag: Banner Of Bravery

by **Kimberly Ward**

Ever since I was a little girl, my mother has taught me right from wrong. She has taught me to respect my country, school, and other people. One of my biggest fears as a little child and spectator of sport events was what would happen if I talked or laughed during the National Anthem. When I was little, if I had done that, I would have gotten in a lot of trouble. And still today, if my mom found out I disrupted the Star Spangled Banner, I wouldn't even bother coming home. Am I just telling you about the discipline mannerisms at my house? No, the public has lessened in respect for our country and other people.

At a recent high school football game, I observed a few teenage girls giggling, talking, and moving while the glorious flag was being raised. Because I am Drum Major, I must salute the flag when it is being raised. Also, the cheerleaders must stand in an honorable position that shows respect. The gentlemen in the stands and the referees almost always remove their hats during this time. But as I stood there watching the great Stars and Stripes of America the Beautiful, I just couldn't bear hearing the girls acting disrespectfully. I was embarrassed for our school, community and country. These girls were from my school and represented the whole student body of the one and only Elba High School. I know that every student at Elba High School does not act that way, and I surely do not want people thinking all the students there are disrespectful.

But, I am not just talking about teenagers who show rudeness. Some adults do too. When seeing the adults ignoring the Star Spangled Banner like it was an opposing team's fight song, I realized why the younger people of the world act the way they do. I can remember when everyone stopped still in their tracks when the song played, whether they were outside the gate, going to the concession stands to fulfill their hungry stomachs or just walking around. I also remember when the right hand was placed upon the heart as a signal of honor and thanks. I do not think the people who fought for our freedom and our country would be very proud of us today. So, take some time to think about where we would be without them. Next time you hear Francis Scott Key's "Star Spangled Banner," remember to stand still, be quiet and raise your hand to your heart. Let everyone know you are proud of where you live and who you are.

Tri-M Initiation

by **Stephanie Williams**

On Monday, Sept. 27, the Tri-M Music Honor Society held their annual initiation at Kelly's BBQ in Elba.

Tri-M is a nationally recognized honor society of music. Tri-M is available for all tenth through twelfth graders who have greatly and astoundingly accomplished themselves in or through music.

The initiation started at 6:30 and lasted until 8 p.m. The members and their parents enjoyed supper at the first half of the event, and at the end, a candlelight induction ceremony was held.

Members of Tri-M include: Kimberly Ward, Karen Spruill, Emilee Qualls, Leanne Mallory, Jassen Hays, Chris Sasser, Gunter Akridge, Wesley Kelley, Bethany Dye, Ashley Harrelson, Stephanie Sasser, Michelle Adkins, Katie Grimes, Valiece Moore, and Evan Maddox.

At an earlier meeting, the officers were nominated and elected. The president is Karen Spruill; vice-president is Bethany Dye; secretary/treasurer is Leanne Mallory; and the historians are Ashley Harrelson, Stephanie Sasser, and Wesley Kelley. Tri-M chapter sponsor is Mr. Jeff Ellis, the band director of the Elba High School Band.

Tri-M has sponsored many events through music such as the concert from Maynard Ferguson and has inducted many honorary and lifetime members. Mr. Tom Maddox is an honorary member of the Elba Chapter for all of his hard work and dedication to the entire Elba Band program.

Teacher Spotlight

by **Monique Ordon**

This month's Teacher Spotlight is Mrs. Julie Norris. She is a 30-year-old science teacher here at Elba High School.

Mrs. Norris is a 1987 graduate from EHS. When she graduated from high school, she attended Troy State University and majored in Biology/English/Comprehensive Science. Right out of college she taught Language Arts at Escambia County High School in Atmore. At the end of that year, she moved home, got married to her high school sweetheart, and began teaching at New Brockton High School.

In 1995, Mrs. Norris came back to her alma mater and has been teaching here ever since. For the past four years, she has taught Physical Science, Chemistry, and 8th grade Integrated science. She has also been the Elbala adviser for the past three years.

Julie Norris

"Mrs. Norris is a great teacher who is very concerned about her students. She always tries to help us," stated Jeaneva Ordon when asked what she thought about Mrs. Norris.

When Mrs. Norris was asked what she enjoyed most about teaching, she said, "I enjoy working with young people, and I hope that I can make a difference."

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
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FUND BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1998		163,591.93
REVENUES		
STATE	SOURCES	4,190,661.50
FEDERAL	SOURCES	702,831.10
LOCAL	SOURCES	1,479,921.64
OTHER	SOURCES	.00
TOTAL	REVENUES	6,373,414.24
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		
FUND TRANSFERS IN		242,00[illegible].87
OTHER SOURCES		25,176.37
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		267,182.[illegible]
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		**6,640,596.98**
EXPENDITURES		
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES		3,579,387.65
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES		992,843.83
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		457,682.54
AUXILIARY SERVICES		799,065.34
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		352,145.50
CAPITAL OUTLAY		63,249.44
DEBT SERVICES		
PRINCIPAL		
INTEREST		
OTHER DEBT SERVICES		
OTHER EXPENDITRES		85,600.33
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		**6,329,974.63**
OTHER FUND USES		
FUND TRANSFERS OUT		242,005.87
OTHER USES		.00
TOTAL OTHER FUND USES		242,005.87
TOTAL EXPENDITRES & OTHER FUND USES		**6,571,980.50**
ENDING FUND BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1999		232,208.41

I hereby certify that the above financial statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Charles L. Pearce (signature)
Charles L. Pearce, Superintendent

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 25th day of October 1999

Gloria A. Moseley (signature)
Gloria Moseley, Notary Public

SPORTS

Views from.... THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Melanie's love for the saxophone came to an end last week with her decision to switch to the clarinet, and while I really don't care which instrument she plays, maybe her new instrument won't have quite as many squeaks as did the old one. I sat and listened to Melanie practice and practice the sax in her effort to learn the notes and scales, and while she did improve greatly, she never really had any confidence in her own ability. Music should be enjoyable, and if Melanie enjoys playing her new instrument, I am all for it.

TIGERS SEE WIN STREAK END IN ANDALUSIA

The Elba Tigers saw their brief two-game winning streak come to an end last week with a 21-0 loss to Andalusia, and while the loss lowered the Tigers' record to 2-6 and the shut-out was the first of the season, the Tigers played hard against their 5A opponents and really did battle the highly-ranked Bulldogs until the final horn. It is true that Andalusia hurt itself with some costly penalties and missed three field-goal attempts deep in Elba territory. However, the Tiger defense rose up to keep the Bulldogs out of the endzone on all three of the missed field-goals, and never once backed up a step. It was a loss, but unlike some of the others earlier in the season, it was a loss in which the Tigers still managed to take a step forward.

The Elba offense had its problems throughout the night against the aggressive Andalusia defense and until its final possession had managed only a total of 105 total yards. The offense had problems running and passing, and gave up one score on its own with a long interception return for a score. It wasn't the best of nights for the Tiger offense, as the zero on the Elba side of the scoreboard would indicate. However, it was a night in which the offense played a quality opponent, and hopefully learned a few lessons that will pay off in weeks to come.

The Elba defense allowed over 300 yards in total offense, but only allowed two touchdowns, and played hard for every single play throughout the game. The defense gave up some big plays, but also made several big plays, and made the Bulldogs fight for every single point it scored. The defense has proven in recent weeks that it can play well, and Friday night's war against Andalusia should give the Tigers some confidence heading into this week's area championship, and in the playoffs. Nothing comes easy for the Tiger defense, but no one hears any complaints, either!

BRANTLEY GETS WIN, KINSTON SNAPS STREAK

The ninth week of the season was filled with excitement as the Brantley Bulldogs rallied to defeat 3A St. James, Kinston snapped its long losing streak in an offensive shoot-out with Zion Chapel, and New Brockton battled until the final horn before falling to Geneva County. Here's a quick look back....

*** **BRANTLEY (9-0)** spotted St. James an early 7-0 lead and then came roaring back behind the play of Bo Daniels to claim an impressive 24-20 win over the talented Trojans, from Montgomery. Daniels gained over 200 yards rushing, caught one pass, made nine tackles and had a pass interception to spark the Bulldogs to the win. His resurgence should help Brantley this week in the area title clash and weeks to come in the playoffs. Bo is back, and the Bulldogs are barking louder than ever!

*** **KINSTON (1-8)** once and for all put an end to its 19-game losing streak as the Bulldogs outscored the Zion Chapel Rebels 38-26. The Bulldogs scored late in the first half to take the lead, and then drove the length of the field in the closing minutes to eat up the clock and score their final points to put the win on ice. The win wasn't the only thing on ice, as Coach Mickey Jacobs was iced down by his players as the final seconds ticked off the clock. Congratulations Kinston, the streak is over!

*** **ZION CHAPEL (0-8)** saw its own losing streak reach nine games with the tough loss, but the Rebels played hard in a losing effort, and with such a young team on the field gave the Rebel fans in the bleachers a view of things to come. Josh Mehaffey had a big night running, Josh McWaters had a big night catching the ball, and all the ZC players gave it all they had. It always hurts to lose, especially to a county rival. However, something tells me that the Rebels are headed in the right direction and will turn things around real soon.

*** **NEW BROCKTON (4-5)** battled Geneva County on even terms throughout the game before falling 20-13 to see its record slip to 4-5 on the season. The Gamecocks weren't expected to win many games due to a lack of experience, and while winning four games out of nine games isn't a lot of wins, the Gamecocks have played well throughout the season and have suffered some tough losses to teams like Luverne, G.W. Long, Ariton, Wicksburg and Geneva County. Don't let the record fool'ya, the New Brockton Gamecocks are winners, and if they avoid injuries, could still make a lot of noise in the playoffs. Just remember who told you!

ONCE OVER, NOT ALWAYS SO LIGHTLY....

*** While a lot of schools cry about not having any money for athletics, at least one area school and its supporters are staying quiet and working for their own funds. The folks down at Kinston work two of the concession stands at the Troy State football games, and both work the stands and go out with the drinks and food into the crowd to sell their wares. Players in all sports, band members, coaches and supporters of all the various groups work the stands, and the people down in Kinston estimate that they will raise over $12,000 by the time the season is over. The funds will help buy new band uniforms and new baseball suits this year, and there are no plans for the hard work to stop. It is amazing that a small town like Kinston can have 99 people working on Saturday at a college football game to help its youngsters. Great job!!!!

*** The Alabama High School Athletic Association recently published the third edition of its "Record Book," and while reading through the records in the various sports I came upon some interesting facts, and names. Last year's 41-0 win by Houston Academy over Zion Chapel in baseball made the book in three different places (second in runs scored, first in hits and rbi's); Brantley was second for consecutive state titles in basketball with three; Brantley's Wesley Person was ranked 8th for points scored in a game with 59, 7th for points scored in a season with 940 and 5th in career scoring average with 25.5; Brantley's Chuck Person was ranked 4th for highest scoring average in a career with 26.1 and was also 4th on the list with 39 rebounds in a game; and, T.R. Miller had the all-time record for consecutive wins by a girl's basketball game with 62. By the way, I officiated the game in which T.R. Miller's streak ended! The only Elba name to be found was that of Coach Mack Wood, who ranks 16th in career wins with 214.

*** Football fans might have gotten a little carried away last week when someone threw a rock through the window at the home of Deshler's football coach John Mothershed. Deshler had defeated rival Sheffield 40-14 the night before, and the rock came through the bedroom window of the coach's three-year-old daughter. No one was hurt in the incident, but it makes one think about how crazy some fans (?) can be.

*** When the Jones Valley Middle School football team hit the field Saturday morning to play Banks, the quarterback was former water girl Courtney Billingsley. The 5'8", 146-pound quarterback had been the team's water girl for two years, and when the coach saw her throw a football in practice he recruited her for the team. He told reporters that she would pass and hand off, but not run any plays. Hey, she is probably as tough as many of the guys.

*** Clayton's losing streak reached 55 games last week with a lopsided loss to Goshen, and word is that the football program may be dropped due to a lack of interest, and a lack of success and support. It's hard to argue both sides in this case.

POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PICKS THE PREPS

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator stopped by the office Sunday afternoon and was still shaking his head over Alabama's loss to Tennessee. The high school guru had told me last week that the Tide was back, but Sunday he was kind of quiet and swore that he would stick with the preps when it comes to making predictions. Last week the local guesspert hit on 26 of 31 picks to push his season totals to 212-53. Maybe he should stick with the preps, looks like he has them all figured out. Here goes with his week #10 picks....

ELBA VS. SLOCOMB

Two teams with a combined record of 3-14 will tangle Friday night in Tiger Stadium with the Class 3A, Area 3 title up for grabs. No wonder the coaches say you can throw out the records! Forget all that talk, this game will be one in which the winner will get the chance to put the losses behind them and start fresh in the playoffs, while the loser struggles on into round one. Looks like a refresher for the Tigers!

ELBA 26 SLOCOMB 6

BRANTLEY VS. J.U. BLACKSHER

The Class 1A, Area 3 title will be on the line Friday night down in Uriah when these two sets of Bulldogs get it on. Brantley has won fifteen straight and is on a roll, while Blacksher is better than a lot of people think. It won't be easy, but look for Brantley to bring home the title.

BRANTLEY 32 BLACKSHER 16

NEW BROCKTON VS. FLORALA

The Gamecocks have suffered two tough losses in the last three weeks to ranked teams, and this week tangle with one of the state's highest scoring offenses. There is an old saying that good defense can stop good offense, and New Brockton has a very good defense. Picking the Gamecocks in an upset....

NEW BROCKTON 34 FLORALA 22

ZION CHAPEL VS. HOUSTON ACADEMY

Two teams hungry for a win will meet Friday night in Dothan when the 0-8 Rebels meet the 0-8 Raiders. Zion Chapel took it on the chin last week from county-rival Kinston and should still be fuming about the loss, while Houston Academy is just looking to get the whole thing over with. Picking the Rebels again this week....

ZION CHAPEL 33 HOUSTON ACADEMY 28

KINSTON VS. STRAUGHN

Two years ago the Kinston Bulldogs had one win going into the final game of the season needing a win to make the playoffs, and won. This year the story is the same, but unfortunately for the Bulldogs this time around the opponent is the Straughn Tigers, which is hungry for a playoff berth and a second chance after a so-so season. Oh well, one out of two ain't bad!

STRAUGHN 36 KINSTON 16

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Tell'em You Read It In....
THE PRESSBOX
By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

In Elba-Slocomb battle

Area title up for grabs Friday night

The Elba Tigers will be hoping to give a large homecoming crowd plenty to cheer about and claim the Class 3A, Area 3 championship at the same time Friday night when they host the Slocomb Red Tops, at Tiger Stadium.

Elba will bring a disappointing 2-6 record into Friday night's clash, but the Tigers are 1-0 in Area 3 play, and a win over the Red Tops would give the Tigers the Area title, and the home field advantage in the opening round of the playoffs.

"This is the biggest game of the season for us," stated Elba's Coach Julius Head, "and when you make it to this point in the season the records really don't mean anything. We need to win to win the Area championship, and that is very important because the area winner gets the home field advantage in the opening round of the playoffs. We are already assured a place in the playoffs, but we want to open the playoffs at home, and to do that we must win Friday night against Slocomb."

Slocomb will bring a 1-8 record into Friday night's area title game, with the Red Tops' only win coming over Clayton 28-0. The Red Top losses have come to Samson 8-6, Houston County 63-20, Geneva 56-0, Abbeville 14-0, Headland 34-7, Rehobeth 23-0, Geneva County 36-12 and Wicksburg 35-0.

"Slocomb doesn't have a very good record at 1-8," said Coach Head, "but our record is not much better, and if anyone thinks this will be an easy win they are wrong. Slocomb has some good football players and a very good coach in Larry Lee, and will come over here Friday night fired up thinking they can put the losses behind them by winning the area championship. They played Elba tough last year over in Slocomb, and will be playing to win Friday night when they take the field against us."

The Red Top offense, which has averaged 7 points a game, is led by speedster Albert Carroll, who had a 62-yard touchdown run in Slocomb's loss to Geneva County, while quarterback Adam Howell likes to both run and pass, and fullback Patrick Trawick is right at home butting heads inside.

"Slocomb has struggled at times this season on offense," said Head, "but that will mean nothing this week. They are in the playoffs just like we are, and have nothing to lose. We will have to be ready for anything, and expect Slocomb to be wide-open on offense. Their defense has given up some points, but it too will leave nothing on the field Friday night, and we look for the Red Top defense to really get after us and blitz on almost every play. Slocomb wants to win to host the opening round of the playoffs, and we expect them to challenge us on both sides of the football on every single play."

"If we are going to win Friday night we will have to be solid on both sides of the ball and play smart, and aggressive at the same time," added Coach Head. "We need to establish our running game early so that we will be able to be effective passing, and the key to both running and passing is blocking in the offensive line. Our linemen will have to recognize anything they might do, and will carry the key to our success Friday night against Slocomb. Our defense has played well in the past three weeks, and must play well again this week and be alert. We need to play physical up front and put the pads on Slocomb from the opening whistle. If we can come out ready to play and take the fight to Slocomb early on both offense and defense, we should be able to put some points on the board and hopefully take control of the game. On the other hand, if we let Slocomb gain some confidence, it could be a real battle for all four quarters."

"We have won two of our last three games," stated Head, "and played well in spots against Andalusia. Our players aren't young anymore, and the time has come for them to step up and play like Elba Tigers. It is homecoming Friday night and there will be a large crowd in the stadium, as well as the 1989 state championship team. We are hoping to play like champions Friday night and win the Area 3 championship."

When asked about last week's 21-0 loss to Andalusia, Coach Head stated "The interception return for a touchdown late in the third quarter really broke our back. We had played hard from the opening kick-off and trailed only by seven points at that time, but the return hurt, and gave Andalusia momentum. Our offense had some problems moving the football against the tough Andalusia defense, but our backs ran hard and the line got off the ball well at times. We just couldn't establish any long drives, and you can't win if you can't score. The defense bent, but refused to break, and did its best to keep us in the game. The defensive players gave it all they had for all four quarters, and showed everyone in attendance that they can play winning football."

"I know that we were all hoping for much better than a 2-6 record at this point in the season," said Coach Head, "but we have the area championship game and the playoffs ahead of us, and now is the time to look ahead, and not back. We are starting a new season this week, and I hope all Elba Tiger fans will support these youngsters Friday night and give them the support they need and deserve."

'89 state champs to be honored at homecoming game

Elba High School will hold its annual "Homecoming" festivities this week, and special guests at Friday night's homecoming game against the Slocomb Red Tops will be the members of the 1989 Elba Tiger "State Championship" football team.

The '89 Tigers posted a 13-2 record en route to claiming Elba's first state football championship, and plans are for the team members to be recognized on the field prior to the game, and for the 1989 team captains to be honorary captains during the toss of the coin Friday night.

All members of the 1989 football team and cheerleading squad are encouraged to see Dr. Billy Farris prior to the game in the north end-zone.

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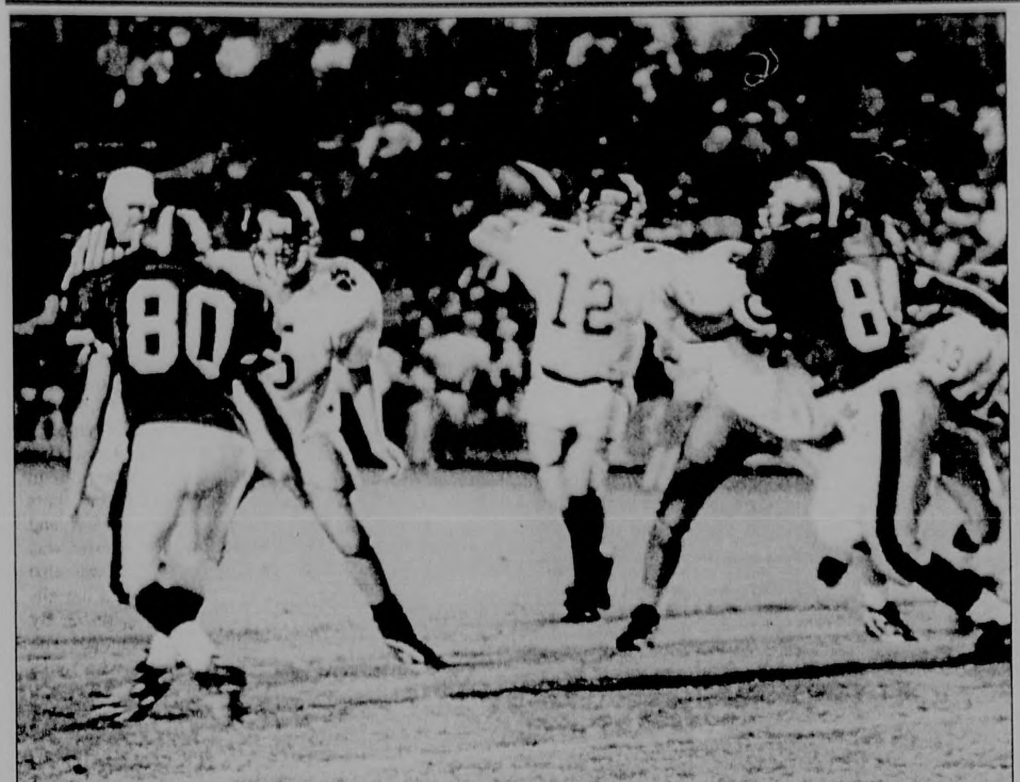
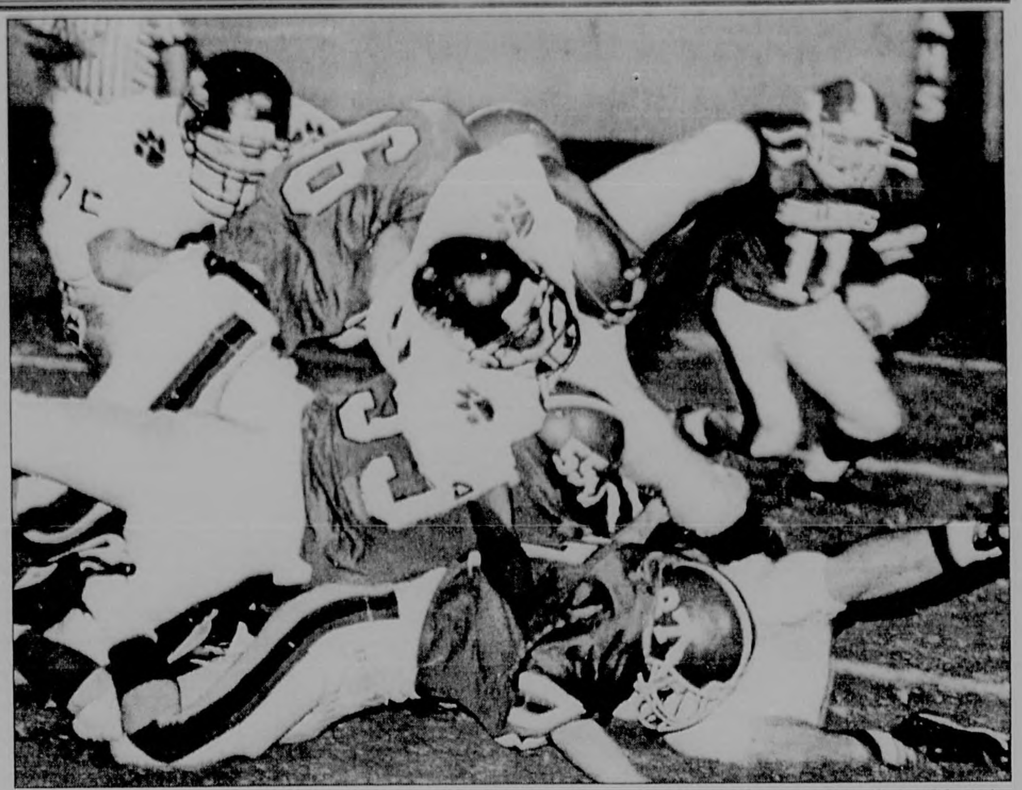


Elba quarterback Bradley Bowers (12) prepares to pass downfield in the Tigers loss last week to Andalusia. Bowers will lead the Elba offense Friday night when they host the Slocomb Red Tops for the Class 3A, Area 3 championship. Homecoming festivities will begin at 7:00 PM, with the kick off set for 7:30 PM.



Elba Tiger 8th grader Michael Sams (34) dives over a pair of would be Andalusia tacklers in Friday night's 21-0 loss to the Bulldogs. Elba will host Slocomb Friday night for homecoming and can win the Class 3A, Area 3 championship with a win over the Red Tops.

Bulldogs blank Elba 21-0

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Elba Tigers saw their brief two-game winning streak come to an end Friday night when they were shut out by the Andalusia Bulldogs 21-0, in Andalusia.

The loss left the Tigers with a 2-6 record, while the Bulldogs improved to 6-3 with the win.

Neither team could mount any offensive punch on their opening two possessions of the night, but Andalusia began its third series at its own 42-yardline following the fourth punt of the opening quarter, and promptly marched 58 yards in nine plays to get on the scoreboard.

A pair of scrambles by Bulldog quarterback Justin Reeves kept the drive alive early and moved the chains, while a 16-yard scamper by Brandon Bradley gave Andalusia a first down and goal at the Elba 4-yardline. Two plays later Brian Dohoney bulled over from three yards out, and Eric Pollock booted the extra-point as the Bulldogs grabbed a 7-0 advantage with 10:57 remaining in the second quarter.

The Elba offense failed to move the chains on its ensuing possession and punted for the third time in the half. However, the Tigers got the ball right back as the Bulldogs muffed the Brandon Salter boot, and Elba recovered at the Tiger 38-yardline.

Elba moved to a pair of quick first downs behind the running of Tony Burks and Cassius Wilson, and after a 13-yard pass completion from Bradley Bowers to Dustin Stinson, the Tigers were in business with a first down at the Andalusia 25-yardline.

A penalty and a short gain by Brandon Salter left Elba facing a second down and 14, and when the next three passes failed to find their target, the Tiger scoring threat had ended at the Andalusia 29-yardline.

Andalusia threatened to add to its lead late in the half after the Bulldogs marched to a first down at the Elba 15-yardline, but the Tiger defense rose to the challenge and turned back the Bulldogs empty-handed when a 25-yard field-goal try by Pollock failed to produce points.

Elba's initial possession of the second half ended in yet another Salter punt, while the Bulldogs' offense was ready to roll, and after putting the ball in play the Andalusia 37-yardline marched to a first down at the Elba 13-yardline.

A holding penalty on third down and two backed the Bulldogs up to the 17-yardline; however, and the Tigers dodged another Bulldog bullet when Pollock again misfired, this time on a 34-yard field-goal attempt.

The defensive stand brought the Elba fans to their feet as the Tigers stayed within striking distance at 7-0 with 3:57 left in the third quarter, but the excitement on the Elba side of the field didn't last for long, as two plays later Andalusia's David McClain stepped in front of a Bradley Bowers pass for an interception and returned the pick-off 35 yards for a Bulldog touchdown. McClain appeared trapped at the Elba 20-yardline on the long return, but managed to spin away from a would be Tiger tackler, and raced into the endzone to give Andalusia a two touchdown lead.

Eric Pollock added the extra-point, and with 2:55 remaining in the third quarter Andalusia had moved ahead 14-0.

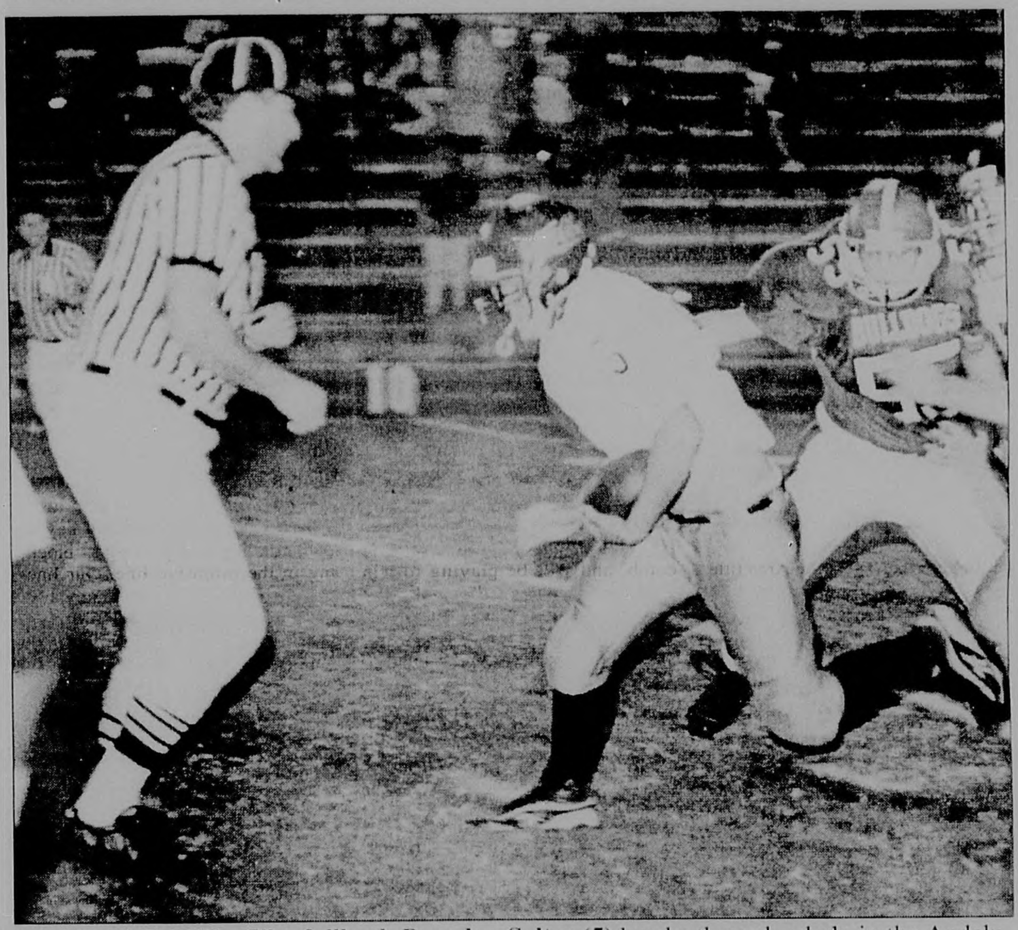
Andalusia had a chance to add to its lead early in the fourth quarter after a fake punt by the Tigers failed to move the chains, but a holding penalty against Andalusia slowed the short drive, and Elba dodged yet another Bulldog bullet when Pollock missed his third field-goal of the night with 9:52 left in the game.

Elba's offense went three and out following the missed field-goal; however, this time the Andalusia offense was determined to get into the endzone, and after the punt marched 72 yards in seven plays to score its third touchdown of the night, and put the game out of reach.

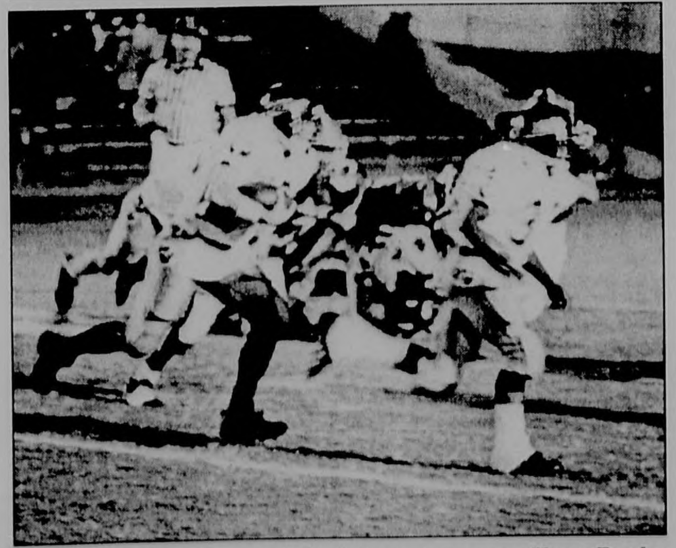
Bulldog running back Brian Dohoney broke loose for a 47-yard gain early in the drive to move Andalusia deep into Tiger territory, and it was Dohoney that scored the touchdown when he bulled over from two yards out. Pollock added the extra-point, and with 5:29 left on the clock it was all over but the shouting for the Andalusia homecoming crowd as the Bulldogs were in command with a 21-0 advantage.

The Tigers weren't about to quit, and threatened to finally get on the scoreboard on a 46-yard run by Tony Burks and a 12-yard pass from Bradley Bowers to Derrick Brooks. A major distance penalty slowed the potential scoring drive; however, and on the next snap Andalusia got its second interception of the game to ice the 21-0 win.

Tony Burks gained 86 yards on 9 carries to lead the Elba offense, while Brian Dohoney led Andalusia with 88 yards on 9 carries.



LOOK OUT REF....Elba fullback Brandon Salter (5) breaks through a hole in the Andalusia defense and finds a striped shirt standing right in the way. The Tiger offense struggled Friday night as it was shut out for the first time this season in the 21-0 defeat to the Bulldogs.



Elba's Bradley Bowers (12) follows teammate Tony Burks (33) around the end for a big gain. The Tigers can win the Class 3A, Area 3 championship this week with a homecoming win over the Slocomb Red Tops.

STATISTICS

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8	1st Downs	16
126	Rushing Yds.	252
37	Passing Yds.	13
163	Total Offense	265
4-14-2	Passes	2-8-0
1/0	Fumbles/Lost	2/1
4-38	Punts-Ave.	2-39
85	Penalty Yds.	75

Elba's Michael Sams (34) heads upfield for a big gain in the Tigers' 21-0 loss last week to the Andalusia Bulldogs.

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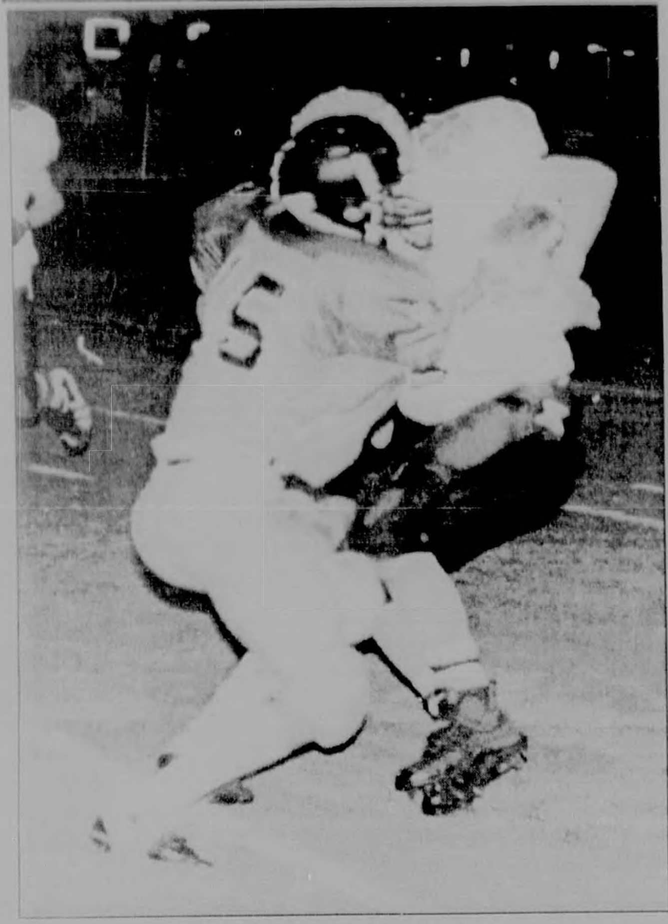
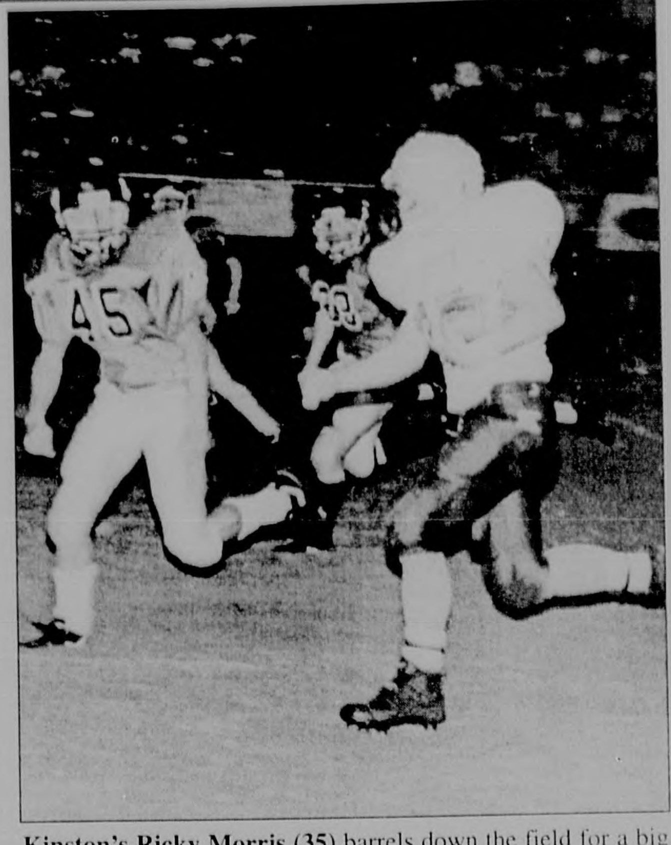


Zion Chapel defensive back Marcus Taylor (15) makes a big hit on a Kinston runner. The Rebels remained winless on the season Friday night with a wild 38-26 loss to Kinston.

Kinston's Bryan Ellis (99) pulls in a pass for a two-point conversion in the Bulldogs' big 38-26 win over the Zion Chapel Rebels last week. The win snapped the Bulldogs' 19-game losing streak.



Kinston's Ricky Morris (35) barrels down the field for a big gain as Zion Chapel's Josh Mehaffey (45) and Johnny Branham (33) close in. Morris will lead the Bulldogs Thursday night when they travel to Straughn to do battle with the Straughn Tigers with a playoff berth on the line for the winner. Kickoff will be at 7:30 PM.

Kinston outscores Rebels 38-26 to snap long losing streak

By Tony Calhoun, Sportswriter

The Zion Chapel Rebels gave a large homecoming crowd plenty to cheer about Friday night as they rolled up and down the field on offense and scored four touchdowns. However, the fans on the Kinston side of the field had even more to cheer about, as the Kinston Bulldogs pulled ahead in the closing minutes of the second quarter and then held on late in the second half to post a wild 38-26 win, at Zion Chapel.

The win snapped Kinston's 19-game losing streak and left the Bulldogs with a 1-8 record, while Zion Chapel saw its record slip to 0-8 with the loss.

Neither team could mount a scoring threat on their initial offensive series of the night, but Zion Chapel put the ball in play at its own 43-yardline to begin its second possession and marched 57 yards in 12 plays to grab the early lead.

The touchdown came on a 6-yard pass from Marcus Taylor to Josh McWaters, and Josh Mehaffey ran in for the two-point conversion, as the Rebels moved on top 8-0 with 2:13 remaining in the opening stanza.

Kinston answered the Rebel score on its ensuing possession as the Bulldogs drove 62 yards in seven plays to get on the scoreboard. A key play in the scoring drive was a 25-yard scamper on third down by Kinston quarterback Bishop Edwards, while the touchdown came on a 6-yard dash by Ricky Morris. The two-point try failed, but with 11:55 left in the second quarter the Bulldogs had cut the Rebel lead to 8-6.

Zion Chapel received the ensuing kick and needed only four plays to cover the 65 yards to paydirt. Josh Mehaffey had a big 27-yard run to highlight the scoring march, which was climaxed by a 33-yard scoring pass from Marcus Taylor to Patrick Oglesby. The two-point try failed, leaving Zion Chapel with a 14-6 lead with 10:05 remaining in the second quarter.

Kinston took the ensuing kick and continued the offensive fireworks as the Bulldogs marched 55 yards in only four plays to again cut into the Zion Chapel lead. Ricky Morris had a 35-yard run to spark the scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 10-yard scamper by Bishop Edwards. The Bulldogs failed on the two-point attempt, but with 8:44 left in the half Zion Chapel's lead was down to 14-12.

It was now Zion Chapel's turn to drive for a touchdown, and the Rebels did just that, as they marched 65 yards in eight plays to get back into the endzone. Marcus Taylor scrambled for a 30-yard run early in the drive to keep the scoring march alive, while Josh Mehaffey capped off the march with a 21-yard touchdown dash. The two-point try failed, and with 5:21 remaining in a very wild second quarter the Rebels owned a 20-12 advantage.

Kinston received the ensuing kick and this time needed only three plays to cover the 60 yards to the endzone. Bishop Edwards scored the touchdown on a 53-yard run, and although the two-point try failed, the Bulldogs were within 20-18 with 4:15 still left in the stanza.

Kinston recovered a fumble at the Zion Chapel 23-yardline on the Rebels' next offensive series, and covered the distance in five plays to grab its first lead of the night. Bishop Edwards bulled over from a yard out on fourth down and goal to score the Bulldog touchdown, and then passed to Bo Driggers for the two-point conversion, as Kinston moved on top 26-20 with !:41 remaining in the half.

Kinston received the second half kick and marched 59 yards in five plays to extend its lead. Kyle Waters had a big 46-yard run to spark the Bulldogs' scoring drive, while the touchdown came on an 11-yard toss from Bishop Edwards to Jeremy Carnley. The two-point try failed; however, with 9:43 left in the third quarter Kinston had opened up a 32-20 advantage.

Kinston's Tim Whigham intercepted a Zion Chapel pass at the Kinston 22-yardline to turn back a Rebel scoring threat on Zion Chapel's next possession, while on the next Zion Chapel possession the Rebels again headed toward the endzone, only to be stopped a yard short on a fourth down and six at the Kinston 14-yardline.

The Rebels' David Eddins intercepted a Bulldog pass and returned the pick off 12 yards to the Kinston 8-yardline to put Zion Chapel right back in business, and the third time proved to be the charm for the Rebels, as Josh Mehaffey dashed in on the next play on an 8-yard touchdown run. A two-point try was stopped short, but with 2:32 left in the third quarter Zion Chapel had cut the Kinston lead to 32-26.

Zion Chapel's Wesley Grant intercepted a Kinston pass on the Bulldogs' ensuing possession, and the Rebels' Marcus Taylor intercepted another Bulldog pass midway through the final stanza. However, the Rebels were unable to cash in on either turnover, and then saw yet another scoring opportunity end when Taylor had a pass picked off at the Kinston 12-yardline.

Kinston needed to keep the clock running in an attempt to protect its slim six-point lead, and the Bulldogs did just that, and more, as they marched 88 yards in seven plays to score an insurance touchdown!

Bishop Edwards gained 55 yards on a boot-leg to highlight the long scoring march, while the score came when Edwards rolled left, broke a tackle at the line of scrimmage, and dashed 7 yards for a touchdown. The two-point try again failed, but with 2:41 left in the game Kinston was on top 38-26 and the celebration was already underway on the Kinston sidelines.

Zion Chapel failed to move the chains on its next possession, but got a break when Adam Blake scooped up a Bulldog fumble and returned it 15 yards to the Kinston 35-yardline.

The Rebels failed to cash in the turnover, and at the final horn it was Kinston getting the hotly-contested win by the score of 38-26.

Josh Mehaffey gained 134 yards on 21 carries, scored 2 touchdowns and had a two-point conversion, to lead the Zion Chapel offense, while Marcus Taylor added 21 yards on 9 carries and completed 9 of 26 passes for 126 yards and 2 touchdowns. Josh McWaters led the Rebel receivers with 7 catches for 82 yards and 1 touchdown.

Kinston was led on offense with Bishop Edwards, who gained 168 yards on 13 carries and scored 4 touchdowns, and passed for 60 yards and 1 touchdown on 6 of 13 passing. Ricky Morris added 87 yards on 13 carries and Kyle waters gained 51 yards on 3 totes.

Donnie Sansom led the Bulldogs in tackles with 9 tackles and 5 assists, followed by Ricky Morris (7T and 4A), Daniel Davis (7 T and 4A), Will Mack (5T and 2A) and Bishop Edwards (5T and 1A).

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SPORTS

Bo Daniels runs wild as 'Dogs' go 9-0

Brantley "Bo's" over St. James 24-20

Brantley Marching Band Drum Major Betsy Bradshaw leads the Bulldog Band as Brantley wins its 15th straight game with a 24-20 win over St. James.

By Greg Brunson, Sportswriter

The Brantley Bulldogs celebrated "Homecoming" Friday night against the 3A St. James Trojans, and after spotting the Trojans an early lead, stormed back to claim an exciting 24-20 win.

The win was the 15th straight for the Bulldogs and avenged a loss to the Trojans last season, while St. James saw its record slip to 5-4 with the loss.

St. James opened the scoring late in the first quarter with an 11 play drive that covered 77 yards. The touchdown came on fourth down, when Matt Groorris completed a 31-yard wing back pass to Josh Thomas. Nigel Gurtharp booted the extra-point, and with 1:38 left in the opening stanza the Trojans were on top 7-0.

The Brantley offense showed signs of life early in the second quarter when Bo Daniels took a pitch on a sweep around the left end, cut back to his right and raced 50 yards to the St. James 12-yardline. The Bulldogs moved the football to the Trojan 5-yardline, where on fourth down Gregory Daniels drilled a 22-yard field-goal to pull Brantley within 7-3 with 9:18 remaining in the second quarter.

St. James put together a solid drive late in the half and marched into Bulldog territory, only to see the Brantley defense rise up and turn back the scoring threat when Shaun Person intercepted a Ryan Sexton pass on the final play of the stanza.

Brantley came back to the field fired up to begin the third quarter and behind the running of Bo Daniels went 65 yards in 9 plays to grab the lead!

The touchdown came on a 3-yard dive by Daniels with 8:23 left in the third quarter, and on the scoring play Daniels left the ground at the four-yardline and sailed over the Trojan defense into the endzone. Gregory Daniels booted the extra-point and the Bulldogs were ahead 10-7.

St. James received the ensuing kickoff and came right back into Bulldog territory, only to be turned back again by the Brantley defense, this time on a pass interception by Javares Cooper. Brantley marched to the Trojan 28-yardline, but couldn't move the chains on a crucial fourth down play, and saw the scoring opportunity go by the board.

Brantley regained possession two plays later when Bo Daniels intercepted yet another Trojan pass, and returned the interception to the St. James 13-yardline.

This time Brantley would need only two plays to reach paydirt, with the touchdown coming on a 10-yard dash by Bo Daniels. Gregory Daniels added the extra-point, and with :16 left in the third quarter Brantley appeared to be taking command with a 17-7 lead.

St. James had other ideas; however, and after an exchange of punts got right back in the game by marching 52 yards in only 4 plays to cut into the Brantley advantage.

The Trojan touchdown came on a 35-yard pass from Ryan Sexton to Josh Thomas, and Gurtharp added the extra-point, as St. James pulled within 17-14 with 5:07 still left in the game.

Brantley put the ball in play at its own 35-yardline after the ensuing kick went out of bounds, and the Bulldogs wasted no time moving down the field as on their first snap Bo Daniels raced 56 yards to the St. James 9-yardline. Darrell Owens scored three plays later on a one-yard plunge, and after Gregory Daniels added the extra-point, Brantley was on top 24-14 with 3:20 remaining on the clock.

St. James put the ball in play at its own 27-yardline following the Brantley kickoff, and on the Trojans first play Ryan Sexton connected with Nigel Gurtharp on a deep post pattern that went 73 yards for a touchdown. The conversion attempt failed, but Brantley's lead was down to 24-20 with 2:57 still left in the wild fourth quarter.

Bo Daniels recovered an on-sides kick attempt, but the Brantley offense failed to move the chains and was forced to punt. Bo Daniels boomed a 47-yard punt that was downed at the St. James 6-yardline, and with time running out the Trojans found themselves 94 yards from what would be a possible winning touchdown.

St. James did move the chains once, but Zack Burnett intercepted a Trojan pass to end the final possession of the night, and the Bulldogs celebrated the exciting 24-20 win.

Bo Daniels showed his form of a year ago as he rushed 19 times for 204 yards, caught one pass, averaged 42 yards per punt and anchored the Brantley defense with 9 tackles and one pass interception. Tyrone Knighten also had a big game on defense with a number of stops in the backfield.

Speed McDonald gained 74 yards on 16 carries to lead the St. James running attack.

Brantley's Bo Daniels (2) is off and running in the Bulldogs' big 24-20 win over St. James. Daniels rushed for over 200 yards, caught one pass, made 9 tackles and had an interception to lead the Bulldogs to their 15th straight win.

STATISTICS

B		SJ
11	1st Downs	16
39-255	Rushes-Yds.	37-99
23	Passing Yds.	242
278	Total Offense	341
3-10-0	Passes	10-23-4
61	Return Yds.	55
7-78	Penalties-Yds.	4-20
0	Fumbles Lost	0
5-42	Punts-Ave.	3-40

A New Brockton runner finds room to roam outside in last week's 20-13 loss to Geneva County. The Gamecocks will be looking to even its record at 5-5 Friday night against the high-scoring Florala Wildcats, in Florala.

New Brockton Gamecocks fall to Geneva County 20-13

By Josh Lewis, Sportswriter

The New Brockton Gamecocks proved once again Friday night they could compete with the top teams in the state in the Class 2A ranks. Unfortunately, the Gamecocks also proved once again that close doesn't count on the football field, as they were defeated by the powerful Geneva County Bulldogs 20-13, in Hartford's Dixie Howell Stadium.

The loss left New Brockton with a 4-5 record, while Geneva County improved to 7-2 with the hard fought win.

Geneva County got on the scoreboard first when Andre Golson broke loose and scampered 24 yards for a touchdown. The extra-point try failed, but with 3:31 left in the opening stanza Geneva County was already on top 6-0.

New Brockton showed everyone in attendance that it had come to play as the Gamecocks took the ensuing kick and marched 87 yards in 10 plays to take the lead. The touchdown came on a 10-yard scamper by Kellen Cole, and Andre Flowers booted the extra-point as the Gamecocks moved ahead 7-6 with 11:31 remaining in the second stanza.

Geneva County put the ball in play at its own 13-yardline after an exchange of punts midway through the quarter, and beat the clock as the Bulldogs marched 87 yards in eight plays to regain the lead.

The Bulldog score came on a 10-yard run by Andre Golson, and Golson tacked on the two-point conversion, as Geneva County went back on top 14-7 with 1:32 remaining in the half.

New Brockton stopped the Bulldogs on their initial possession of the second half, and then showed some offensive strength of its own as the Gamecocks went on an 87-yard scoring drive that ate up almost ten minutes off the clock!

A pass interference penalty and a roughing the kicker penalty helped the Gamecocks' scoring march, which was capped off with just :58 left in the third quarter when Kellen Cole again got outside and raced 10 yards for a touchdown. The two-point try failed, but New Brockton was very much alive as the Gamecocks trailed only 14-13.

Geneva County answered the Gamecock challenge on its ensuing possession as the Bulldogs marched 63 yards in eight plays to add to their lead. The touchdown came on a 21-yard dash by Andre Golson, and even though the extra-point try failed, the Bulldogs had opened up a 20-13 advantage with 10:02 still left in the game.

New Brockton appeared ready to score its third touchdown of the evening on its ensuing possession as the Gamecock offense drove from its own 25-yardline to the Geneva County 3-yardline. The Gamecocks were denied the endzone when a fourth down and goal pass completion fell short; however, and with 3:57 left on the clock New Brockton found itself still trailing 20-13.

New Brockton's defense stuffed Geneva County to force a punt with 1:52 still remaining in the game, and the Gamecocks had excellent field-position at the Bulldog 39-yardline.

The Gamecocks mustered one first down, but turned the ball over on downs at the Geneva County 24-yardline, and the Bulldogs held on to post the exciting 20-13 win over the visiting Gamecocks.

Jason McKenzie gained 120 yards on 13 carries to lead the New Brockton offense, while Kellen Cole hit on 5 of 8 passes for 110 yards. Adrian Grimes made 16 tackles to lead the Gamecock defense and Nicky Anderson made 10 stops.

Geneva County was paced on offense by Andre Golson with 230 yards on 28 carries, and 3 touchdowns.

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SPORTS

Earn ticket to regionals

Lady Tigers place second in area tournament

The Elba Lady Tigers hosted the Class 3A, Area 2 Volleyball Tournament last Monday afternoon at the Elba High School gym, and posted two wins and two losses to place second in the four-team tournament.

Clayton won the area title, followed in order by Elba, Goshen and Luverne, with both Clayton and Elba earning the right to advance on to the 3A Regional Tournament.

Following are highlights of Elba's matches:

ELBA DEFEATS GOSHEN 15-2, 15-4

The Lady Tigers opened tournament play against the Goshen Lady Eagles and avenged a regular season loss with a powerful 15-2, 15-4 sweep.

Melissa Grantham recorded 8 service points to lead Elba in the 15-2 win. Melissa Mularz added 2 service points, 2 digs and 1 block, while Raeann McCollough added 1 service point and 4 sets, Kendra Vaughan recorded 2 service points and 2 kills, and Lauren Moore recorded 2 service points

Melissa Grantham and Melissa Mularz combined for 8 service points to spark the Lady Tigers in the 15-4 win. Mularz recorded 4 service points, 1 kill and 1 save in the win, while Grantham had 4 service points and 2 kills. Lauren Moore and Kendra Vaughan both recorded 2 service points, while Vaughan Boyd and Raeann McCollough both recorded 1.

ELBA DEFEATS CLAYTCN 6-15, 15-8, 15-6

The Lady Tigers moved into the finals with an impressive 6-15, 15-8, 15-6 win over Clayton.

Melissa Grantham and Vaughan Boyd both recorded 2 service points to lead the Lady Tigers in game one, while Lauren Moore and Raeann McCollough recorded 1 service point, apiece.

Melissa Mularz recorded 9 service points, 2 kills and 1 save to lead the Lady Tigers in the 15-8 win. Raeann McCollough added 5 service points and 2 sets, while Kendra Vaughan recorded 1 service point.

Lauren Moore recorded 6 service points to lead the Lady Tigers to the 15-6 win. Raeann McCollough recorded 4 service points and 3 sets, while Kendra Vaughan had 3 service points; Melissa Mularz had 1 service point, 1 kill and 2 digs; and Melissa Grantham had 2 service points and 1 kill.

ELBA DEFEATED BY CLAYTON 8-15, 14-16

The Lady Tigers saw their title hopes delayed with an 8-15, 14-16 loss to Clayton.

Melissa Mularz recorded 3 service points to lead the Lady Tigers in the 8-15 loss, while Melissa Grantham had 1 service point and 2 kills, Lauren Moore added 2 service points, Vaughan Boyd had 1 service point, and Raeann McCollough had 2 sets.

Melissa Mularz recorded 5 service points and 2 kills in the 14-16 setback, while Kendra Vaughan had 4 service points, Vaughan Boyd had 4 service points, Melissa Grantham had 1 service point and 1 kill, and Raeann McCollough had 4 sets.

ELBA DEFEATED BY CLAYTON 9-15, 10-15

The Lady Tigers were forced to settle for runner-up honors as they were defeated by Clayton 9-15, 10-15 in the finals.

Melissa Mularz had 4 service points in the 9-15 setback, while Raeann McCollough had 2 service points, 1 dig and 2 sets; Kendra Vaughan had 2 service points and 1 kill; and Lauren Moore had 1 service point.

Melissa Grantham had 4 service points and 1 kill in the 10-15 loss, while Lauren Moore had 3 service points, Melissa Mularz had 2 service points and 2 digs, and Vaughan Boyd had 1 service point and 1 kill.

Elba Lady Tigers return a serve in Elba's win over Goshen last week in the Class 3A, Area 3 tournament. The Lady Tigers placed second in the event to advance to the Regional Tournament, in Montgomery.

Elba Lady Tigers drop two straight in Class 3A Regional Tournament

The Elba Lady Tigers traveled to Montgomery last weekend to compete in the Class 3A, Region A Volleyball Tournament, at Montgomery Academy, and saw their season come at an end with back-to-back losses to Trinity and St. James.

The Lady Tigers opened the double-elimination tournament with a 10-15, 3-15 loss to the Trinity Lady Wildcats. The Lady Tigers fell behind 0-10 early in game one, but rallied behind the serving of Raeann McCollough to pull within 8-12, only to see the Lady Wildcats pull away for the win. The second game was more of the same as the Lady Tigers fell behind 0-9 early and this time never recovered and suffered the big loss. Melissa Grantham and Raeann McCollough both recorded 5 service points for the Lady Tigers in the match, while Kendra Vaughan added 2 and Melissa Mularz had 1.

The Lady Tigers battled the highly-favored St. James Lady Trojans throughout the second match before falling 11-15, 12-15. The Lady Tigers rallied behind the serving of Kendra Vaughan and Vaughan Boyd to turn a 4-11 deficit into an 11-11 tie in game one, only to see St. James pull away late for the win. In game two, the Lady Tigers jumped out to an early 10-2 lead, only to again see St. James rally to pull out the win. Vaughan Boyd recorded 9 service points in the match, followed by Melissa Grantham 5, Kendra Vaughan 5, Melissa Mularz 3 and Raeann McCollough 1.

Area title and playoff berth on line this week for area teams

The high school football season will close out the final week of the regular season this week, and for teams in the area, the final games will include an area championship clash, a battle for a spot in the playoffs, a chance to even a record at 5-5, and a chance to get an elusive first win.

Following are previews of this week's action:

(9-0) BRANTLEY AT (4-5) J.U. BLACKSHER

The Brantley Bulldogs will be on the road this week when they make the long trip down to Uriah to battle the J.U. Blacksher Bulldogs, with the Class 1A, Area 3 championship on the line. Brantley improved its record to 9-0 and upped its winning streak to 15 games last week with an impressive 24-20 win over 3A St. James, and in the win saw All-State running back Bo Daniels break loose for a season-high 204 yards. The Bulldogs have now defeated (7-2) Highland Home 30-7 and (5-4) St. James 24-20 in their last two games, and have quieted many of the 'Dogs critics that were unimpressed with the caliber of competition earlier in the season. J.U. Blacksher stumbled out of the blocks with a 1-4 start, but has improved weekly since the midway point in the season and will bring a 4-5 record into Friday night's clash with top-ranked Brantley. Blacksher has posted its wins over John Essex 42-0, Alabama Christian 31-6, Frisco City 19-8 and McKenzie, while losing to J.F. Shields 16-14, Millry 27-20, Flomaton 25-0, Red Level 13-8 and Excel 37-13. Brantley should be brimming with confidence after last week's big win, but will have to play well on the road to keep its streak alive this week down in Uriah.

(0-8) ZION CHAPEL AT (0-9) HOUSTON ACADEMY

The Zion Chapel Rebels will be looking to close out the season on a high note Friday night when they travel to Dothan to meet the Houston Academy Raiders. The Rebels saw their losing streak reach nine games last week with a loss to cross-county rival Kinston, but scored 26 points for the second straight week and showed signs of life on offense behind the play of Marcus Taylor, Josh Mehaffey and Josh McWaters. Houston Academy has struggled through the season and will enter the season finale for both teams with an 0-8 record. The Raiders have lost to Coffeeville 21-3, Ariton 19-0, McKenzie 30-9, G.W. Long 55-2, Louisville 30-6, Alabama Christian 35-0, Florala 57-32 and Thorsby 46-9. While both teams are winless, look for the action to fast-paced and non-stop as both teams look to end the season with a much needed win. Could be one that will be fun to watch.

(4-5) NEW BROCKTON AT (5-4) FLORALA

The New Brockton Gamecocks will be looking for a win heading into the playoffs Friday night when they travel to Florala to tangle with the high-scoring Florala Wildcats. The Gamecocks saw their record slip to 4-5 a week ago with a hard fought loss to Geneva County, but continued its recent improvement, and behind the running of Jason McKenzie and the running and passing of Kellen Cole, showed a solid offensive attack to go with its always hard-hitting defense. The New Brockton defense will have to be ready Friday night if it hopes to slow down the high-powered Wildcats, who enter the game averaging over 34 points per game, including a whopping 48 points per game over the final four games. Florala has posted wins over Samson 36-20, Louisville 39-6, Kinston 54-28, Houston Academy 57-32 and Zion Chapel 54-26, while losing to Red Level 14-13, Georgiana 7-6, Straughn 32-22 and G.W. Long 35-27. This game will feature the Gamecocks' hard-hitting defense against the Wildcats' fast-paced offense. It could be a classic!

(1-8) KINSTON AT (4-5) STRAUGHN

The Class 2A, Area 3 runner-up spot in the playoffs will be up for grabs Thursday night when the Kinston Bulldogs head over to Straughn to do battle with the Straughn Tigers. The Bulldogs snapped their 19-game losing streak last week with a wild 38-26 win over Zion Chapel, and used the running of Bishop Edwards and Ricky Morris to roll up the points. Straughn snapped a two-game skid last week with an impressive 28-20 win over Red Level, and will enter the rare Thursday night clash knowing a win will mean a trip to the playoffs. Straughn's wins have come over Louisville 33-6, Florala 32-22, McKenzie 33-0 and Red Level 28-20, while its losses were to Headland 19-6, Navarre 38-8, New Brockton 21-6, Elba 25-16 and Excel 25-20. The Bulldogs will be heavy underdogs in this battle for a playoff berth, but pulled out all the stops a week ago and should provide a test for the Tigers.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs ready to make run at second state title

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs will be making their third consecutive trip to the "Elite Eight" State Volleyball Tournament this week with hopes of bringing home their second state championship in the past three years.

The Lady Bulldogs won the Class 1A state championship in 1997, placed second in the Class 2A tourney in 1998, and this year will return to the Class 2A event with a record of 31 wins and 15 losses.

The Lady Bulldogs will begin Pool Play today (Thursday) at 2:00 PM, then will return to the court at 4:50 and 6:00, with all matches to be held at the Pelham Civic Center. All teams will advance to single elimination competition on Friday, with game times to be announced after the completion of Thursday's pool play.

Kinston cruises to second place finish at regional play

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs competed in the Class 2A, Region A Volleyball Tournament last weekend at Houston County High School, and placed second behind defending state champion Bayside Academy to earn their third straight trip to the "Elite Eight" state tournament, in Pelham.

The Lady Bulldogs defeated Wicksburg, Red Level and New Brockton in the double-elimination tournament, while losing twice to Bayside, as their record for the season improved to 31-15.

Kinston began the tournament with a hard fought 15-12, 15-10 win over Wicksburg. Sabrina Piland led the Lady Bulldogs in kills with 7, followed by Nicole Lashley 5, Kristen Bowdoin 5, Katie Daum 4, Nikki Moore 2 and Holli Odom 2. Service point leaders were Daum 8, Piland 8, Moore 5, Odom 5, Lashley 2 and Bowdoin 2.

Kinston's second opponent was Red Level, which the Lady Bulldogs defeated 15-8, 15-8. Leaders in kills were Nikki Moore 8, Kristen Bowdoin 3, Nicole Lashley 3, Holli Odom 1 and Sabrina Piland 1. Service points leaders included Katie Daum 8, Odom 6, Piland 5, Bowdoin 4, Moore 3, Tiffany Hawthorne 3 and Lashley 1.

The Lady Bulldogs lost their first match of the event when they were defeated by Bayside Academy 8-15, 5-15. Kills leaders were Nikki Moore 4, Holli Odom 4, Nicole Lashley 1 and Kristen Bowdoin 1. Service points were scored by Lashley 3, Katie Daum 3, Bowdoin 3, Sabrina Piland 2, Moore 1 and Odom 1.

Kinston stayed alive in the double-elimination tournament with a 15-10, 15-7 win over New Brockton. Kills leaders were Holli Odom 6, Nicole Lashley 4, Sabrina Piland 3, Nikki Moore 3, Kristen Bowdoin 2, Katie Daum 1 and Skylar Drury 1. Nikki Moore recorded 10 service points, including 9 straight in the second game against New Brockton, to lead in service points, followed by Odom 5, Bowdoin 5, Lashley 4 and Daum 3.

The Lady Bulldogs were forced to settle for the runner-up spot with an 11-15, 3-15 loss to Bayside. Kills leaders were Nicole Lashley 4, Sabrina Piland 3, Katie Daum 3 and Nikki Moore 3. Service points were scored by Kristen Bowdoin 7, Lashley 3, Holli Odom 1, Tiffany Hawthorne 1, Moore 1 and Piland 1.

GOOD LUCK LADY DOGS AT STATE !!
BRING HOME THE TITLE !!

Elba Junior High opens with three wins over Kinston in basketball

The Elba Junior High basketball teams opened their season last week with a triple-header sweep over the Kinston Junior Bulldogs, in Elba.

Following are highlights of the three wins:

7TH GRADE BOYS

ELBA 59
KINSTON 17

The Elba 7th grade boys pulled out to an early lead and never looked back to post an easy 59-17 win over Kinston. The Tigers grabbed a 16-6 lead in the opening stanza, extended their lead to 51-8 after three quarters and easily held on for the season opening win.

Jesse Thigpen scored 20 points to lead Elba, while Zane Hall added 14. Mock scored 12 points to lead Kinston.

Elba (59): Harrelson 2, Skinner 8, Thigpen 20, M. Tyson 2, Davis 2, A. Tyson 2, Sutley 9, Hall 14.

Kinston (17): Mock 12, Parker 2, Reeves 3.

9TH GRADE GIRLS

ELBA 40
KINSTON 19

The Elba 9th grade girls pulled ahead late in the first quarter and then pulled away to claim a big 40-19 win over Kinston. The Lady Tigers led only 12-7 after one quarter, but stretched their lead to 32-13 by the end of the third quarter, and rolled to the impressive win.

Ayonna Proctor scored 12 points to lead Elba, while Lotoya Tyson added 10. Tiffany Dubose scored 5 points to lead Kinston.

Elba (40): Proctor 12, Robinson 2, Tyson 10, Ware 8, Kilcrease 4, Eubanks 2, Gibson 2.

Kinston (19): Dubose 5, Wambles 4, Farris 2, King 4, Marlowe 4.

8TH GRADE BOYS

ELBA 33
KINSTON 29

The Elba 8th grade boys staged a furious second half rally to open the season with an exciting 33-29 win over Kinston. The Tigers got off to a slow start and trailed 18-9 at the half, but cut the deficit to 23-20 by the end of the third quarter and then scored the final six points of the game to escape with the 33-29 win.

M. Reed scored 10 points to lead Elba, while J. Driver led Kinston with 13.

Elba (33): Capps 2, Gray 4, Robinson 2, Horstead 8, Hill 6, Gavin 1, Reed 10.

Kinston (29): Brantley 8, Hattaway 2, Driver 13, Wiggins 2, Tew 4.

Kinston Junior Bulldogs get two big wins over Ariton Junior Cats

The Kinston Junior High ninth grade girls and eighth grade boys basketball teams hosted Ariton last Thursday night, in Kinston, and rolled to a pair of impressive wins.

Following are highlights of both wins:

9TH GRADE GIRLS

KINSTON 31
ARITON 10

The Kinston 9th grade Lady Bulldogs opened the night's action and rolled to an easy 31-20 win to even their record to 1-1. The Lady Bulldogs pulled out to a 14-0 halftime advantage, stretched their lead to 22-2 by the end of the third quarter and rolled to the lopsided win.

Elizabeth Farris and M. King both scored 8 points to lead Kinston, while Wilkerson scored 5 points to lead Ariton.

Kinston (31): Wambles 6, Farris 8, King 8, Marlowe 4, Glisson 5.

Ariton (10): Harden 1, Sanders 4, Wilkerson 5.

8TH GRADE BOYS

KINSTON 49
ARITON 21

The Kinston 8th grade Bulldogs took charge from the opening tip as they raced to an easy 49-12 win over Ariton, to even their record at 1-1. The Bulldogs pulled out to a big 17-1 lead in the opening stanza, stretched their lead to 45-12 by the end of the third quarter, and rolled to the easy win.

J. Wiggins scored 17 points to lead Kinston, while Casey scored 6 for Ariton.

Kinston (49): Brantley 6, Hattaway 6, Driver 7, Wiggins 17, Tew 7, Williams 2, Reeves 2, Miller 2.

Ariton (21): Caple 1, Blankenship 3, Terry 4, Van Zandt 5, Ellis 2, Casey 6.

Junior High BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 28
Fleeta at Zion Chapel (7B-9G-8B) 4:30

Monday, November 1
New Brockton at Elba (7B-9G-8B) 5:00
Kinston at Zion Chapel (7B-9G-8B) 5:00

Tuesday, November 2
Andalusia at Elba (7B-8G-8B) 5:00

Thursday, November 4
Samson at Elba (9G-8B) 5:00
Ariton at Zion Chapel (7B-9G-8B) 5:00

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Area News

Elementary students write stories

The following is one of an upcoming series of stories written by Elba Elementary students:

MY FAVORITE TYPE OF PIZZA
by **Drew Parker**
Mrs. Brackin's 6th Grade

My favorite type of pizza is the meat lover's pizza. I can feel it melting in my mouth. The New Yorker meat lover's pizza is the best I have ever put into my hot , watery mouth.

during the time that the oozing meat lover's pizza is being made, I am going crazy as a blue-headed ridiculous clown. I can't stand it any more. I'm going to pick up every tale and chair and throw it out of the danish blue window,if I don't get my tantalizing food. Please, please give me my foooooood!

The smell of the pizza will never go out of my mouth until I get my food. I can just smell the majestically oozing meat and cheese being melted onto the dough of the pizza. I can also smell the juicy tomatoes being poured on as I wait. As I sit and wait, I see the waitress bringing out a pizza that is loaded with meat, as she approaches our table — I can smell the juicy pizza. OH NO, she turned away and went to the next table. I started to get up and walk out, but I did not, for some unknown reason.

I can just hear the oven running as I stare at it and wait, wait, and wait. I can hear myself gritting my teeth every time I think of the loaded pizza. But what I really want to hear is the crust crunching on my own delicious pizza, just as any other normal human being would. I can hardly wait to get my zesty pizza out of the oven over to **my table.**

Finally, finally, finally, the time has arrived and here comes the moment I have been waiting for. Here it is! As the pizza is being lowered, I am anxious to see what this thing is going to be like. Finally, I see it and I dig into the whizzing pizza.

As I am eating, I do not stop until I get to the crust of the breathtaking meat lover's pizza. The chewy, rich, meat lover's pizza tastes great to me. When I approach the last piece, I suddenly realize that my family was supposed to get some pizza. I quietly think to myself, only one piece left, maybe they won't mind if I go ahead and eat it. **So I did!** Wow! That was the best pizza I have ever eaten.

The 1999 Homecoming Court for New Brockton High School recently was announced during the school's homecoming festivities. The homecoming queen and her court are (left to right): Freshman Attendant - Haley Wise; Junior Attendant - Jessica Cornell; Senior Attendant - Mandi Yohn; 1999 Homecoming Queen - Britainy Mobley; Senior Attendant - Chakeisha Hutcherson; Junior Attendant - Lori Donaldson; Sophomore Attendant - Tiffincy Smith.

Here's My Sign...
I'm Turning 29!
Happy Birthday Kerry Johnson!!!
From,
Glen, Austin, Chance,
Mrs. D & Mr. W

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New Brockton High School Honor Roll

First Reporting Period

"A" Honor Roll

7TH GRADE
Matthew Everhart, Sonya Hornsby, Wesley McCormick, Matthew Parrish

8TH GRADE
Thomas Akinson, Bryan Allums, Heather Carroll, Layton Griffin, Andrew Hardiman, Tiffany Harrison

9TH GRADE
Rena Donaldson, Wendy Heaslip, Melanie McGlothren, Delora Moore, Joseph Sawyer

10TH GRADE
Lauren Allums, Kendra Cole, Jenna Donaldson, Veronica Hernandez, Jeffery Rogers, Jeremy Windham

11TH GRADE
Kelley Hilyer, Jimmy Layton, Jessica Parrish

12TH GRADE
Rachel Carroll, Kellen Cole, Britainy Mobley, Crystal Tatem, Amanda Yohn

"A-B" Honor Roll

7TH GRADE
Megan Cauley, Matthew Creech, Rheana Deaderick, Deanna Donaldson, Drew Donaldson, Nichole Estes, Matthew Hataway, Jenna Howell, Tanner Medley, Gina Newsom, Amber Ogburn, Whitney Rachel, Ashley Williams

8TH GRADE
Jerod Bell, Bryan Carpenter, Kyle Cheeseborough, Chelsey Hollis, Megan Holloway, Alicia Howell, Brittani Jones, Misty Moore, Jessica Ogburn, Brandon Pynes, Tyler Simmons, Nina West

9TH GRADE
Connie Brown, Bettie Brust, Randy Danford, Candace Dunn, Kelli Green, Daniel Hernandez, Stephanie Jones, Glenn Kelley, Renita Lawson, Rayshief Magwood, Jody McCormick, Bre Aunna McKenzie, Dusty Medley, Amanda Moore, Katy Roberts, Sean Roehler, Krysti Senn, Christi Spivey

10TH GRADE
Justin Edwards, Jessica Eubanks, Ashley Green, Brett Pearson, Nicholas Quincey, Ashley Senn, Emily D. Smith, Tiffincy Smith, Amanda Stuckey, Tabatha Walden, Jeremy Wise, Brooke Anderson

11TH GRADE
Jeffrey Campbell, Conway Cooper, Jimmy Cooper, Lorie Donaldson, Chris Hines, Anthony Johnston, Kelli Nichols, Jacob Quincey, Nathan Rainey, Rodney Taylor, David Virag, Matt Windham

12TH GRADE
Nikki Crenshaw, Leann Griffin, Adrian Hancock, Pate Harrison, Maurice Jones, Veronica Knight, Jessica Lee, Samantha Mittelbach, Amber Moates, Michael Richardson, Jessica Spivey,Cody Walker, Andrew Windham

Enesco Corp. announces the recall of Pom-poms on Precious Moments® Tender Tails® stuffed toys

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Enesco Corp., of Itasca, Ill., is recalling the pom-poms from about 472,000 Precious Moments® Tender Tails® stuffed toys. The pom-poms on these toys can detach, posing a choking hazard to young children.

CPSC and Enesco are aware of three reports of pom-poms detaching from these stuffed toys. No injuries were reported.

These stuffed toys include the Lady Bug (476080), Bee (464295), Butterfly (482234) and Reindeer (381969). The pom-poms are the antennae on the heads of the lady bug, bee and butterfly toys. The pom-poms are holiday ornaments on the antlers of the reindeer. The item number can be found on the purple adoption registration attached to the stuffed toys. The Tender Tails(r) toys are about 6 inches long. An attached label reads, in part, "TENDER TAILS®," "by ENESCO" and "MADE IN CHINA."

Gift, card and collectible stores sold these stuffed toys nationwide from May 1998 through August 1999 for about $7. Consumers should immediately cut off the pom-poms from these stuffed toys. Consumers should return the pom-poms along with their name, address and phone number to Enesco to receive a free Tender Tails® Hippo toy. The Hippo toy will be retired at the end of the year and given out while supplies last.

Another Tender Tails® toy will be given to consumers in exchange for returned pom-poms when the supply of Hippo toys runs out. For more information, call Enesco at (800) NEAR YOU (632-7968) between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. CDT Monday through Friday, or write to Enesco, P.O. Box 499, Itasca, IL 60143-0499, visit their web site at www.enesco.com or email them at ttpompoms@enesco.com.

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

All Governmental Fund Types, Proprietary Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds
For The Year Ended September 30, 1999

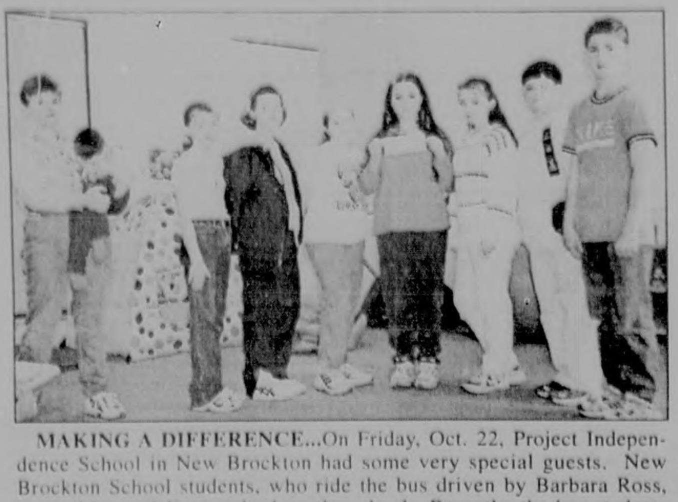
	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES				PROPRIETARY	FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES	
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	FUND TYPE ENTERPRISE	EXPENDABLE TRUST	*** TOTALS *** MEMORANDUM ONLY
REVENUES							
TAXES	2,149,470	976,232					3,125,702
LICENSES AND PERMITS	60,925					25,624	86,549
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	762,353	4,637,442					5,399,795
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	825,706	291,712			2,867,188	29,598	4,014,204
MISCELLANEOUS	447,979	368,580	23,456	40,113	483,843	7,164	1,371,135
TOTAL REVENUES	4,246,433	6,273,966	23,456	40,113	3,351,031	62,386	13,997,385
EXPENDITURES							
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,000,056	545,003		1,972,379		31,773	4,549,211
PUBLIC SAFETY	1,404,136	19,716				25,624	1,449,476
HIGHWAYS AND ROADS		4,766,117					4,766,117
SANITATION					1,926,817		1,926,817
HEALTH	77,843						77,843
PUBLIC WELFARE	55,896	19,754					75,650
CULTURE AND RECREATION	6,000						6,000
EDUCATION	46,809						46,809
CAPITAL OUTLAY	289,044	271,877		1,849	34,312		597,082
DEBT SERVICE							
PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT	24,959	232,748	255,046		126,382		639,135
INTEREST	1,723	40,744	569,845		1,546		
FEES AND OTHER CHARGES	500	200	9,655				10,355
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,906,966	5,896,159	834,546	1,974,228	2,089,057	57,397	14,144,495
EXCESS REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	339,467	377,807	(811,090)	(1,934,115)	1,261,974	4,989	(147,110)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
LOAN PROCEEDS		67,599					
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	101,990	1,213,884	1,507,897		1,546		
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(395,851)	(1,575,516)	(849,847)		(3,596)	(507)	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(293,861)	(294,033)	658,050	0	(2,050)	(507)	0
EXCESS REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) OTHER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	45,606	83,774	(153,040)	(1,934,115)	1,259,924	4,482	(147,110)
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - BEGINNING	442,591	1,839,007	2,233,508	1,934,526	(468,772)	33,351	6,014,211
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	488,197	1,922,781	2,080,468	411	791,152	37,833	5,867,101

Detailed statements of individual fund revenue and expenditures are available for public inspection at the County Commission Office during regular hours Monday - Friday. The totals are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented merely to aid financial analysis. Information in this statement does NOT present the County's financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles; neither is data comparable to a consolidation of county funds; that is interfund elimination has not been used in totaling these figures. These figures represent unaudited data.

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1999

General Obligation Warrants (Jail)	100,000
General Obligation Warrants (Health Department Addition)	86,224
General Obligation Warrants (DHR)	350,000
General Obligation Warrants (Refunding Issue)	2,645,000
Loans Payable to Banks	373,394
Landfill Warrants	1,200,000
Lease Purchase Equipment	354,819
Landfill Lease Purchase Equipment	1,159,449
Amounts in Escrow	(1,310,005)
Total Indebtedness	4,958,881

Kathryn Lolley
Asst. Coffee County Administrator



MAKING A DIFFERENCE...On Friday, Oct. 22, Project Independence School in New Brockton had some very special guests. New Brockton School students, who ride the bus driven by Barbara Ross, stopped by to deliver a check to the school. Recently, the bus students decided they wanted to do something for the community and held a yard sale to raise money to give to Project Independence. The yard sale was an overwhelming success, and last Friday the students were allowed to leave school long enough to ride over to Project Independence with their bus driver and deliver their generous gift. The yard sale and money donation was a part of "Make A Difference Day" which was celebrated on Saturday, Oct. 23. Pictured above are (left to right): Lori Carter, Project Independence administrator; Nathan Jester (being held by Carter); Merisa Rogers, Katy Roberts, Amy Rogers, Misty Moore, Amanda Moore, Jonathan Brown and Lee Rogers.

Marine Pfc. Mash completes basic training

Marine Pfc. Stuart R. Mash, son of Elizabeth H. Perdue of Brantley, Ala., recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. He is a 1999 graduate of Brantley High School.

Bentley Lingerie announces recall of girls' "Esleep Juniors"

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Bentley Lingerie Inc., of Jersey City, N.J., is recalling more than 30,000 robes. The robes fail to meet federal flammability standards for children's sleepwear. The standards require sleepwear, including robes, to be flame resistant, and if the garment ignites, the flame must self-extinguish. Failure to meet the flammability standards presents a risk of serious burn injuries to children.

CPSC and these firms are not aware of any injuries involving these robes. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

"Esleep Juniors," and "Made in Bangladesh" are written on labels on the collar of these robes. The robes have chest patches showing either a pair of bear cubs or a sleeping puppy. They are made of polyester, either blue or green, and were sold in sizes four through 14. The robes are long-sleeve robes with patch pockets. They have one of the following GPU numbers located on a collar tag. 9816, 9817, 9818, 9885, 9886, 9890 and 9891.

JC Penney stores nationwide sold these robes from July 1998 through April 1999 for about $25.

Consumers should stop using these recalled robes immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a refund. For additional information, consumers should contact Bentley Lingerie at (888) 330-3803 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT Monday through Friday.

Business After Hours held recently in Elba

The Elba Chamber of Commerce held its "Business After Hours" on Thursday, Oct. 14, at The Columns Restaurant in Elba. Several business people of the Elba community, along with chamber members and representatives, gathered for the social hour that was described as a wonderful success by Kaye Whitworth, chamber director.

Whitworth said the owners of The Columns, Don and Glenda Weeks, did a tremendous job in hosting "Business After Hours," and she was extremely pleased with the turnout for this event.

The chamber's next event will be the 12th Annual Christmas Festival which will be held Nov. 27 on the square in downtown Elba.

CPSC releases safety tips to prevent Halloween related injuries

To help prevent injuries to children this Halloween, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is releasing safety tips. Halloween-related injuries can involve burns from flammable costume ignited by open flames from items such as candles and jack-o'-lanterns, and abrasions from sharp objects attached to masks or costumes.

To help keep children safe, CPSC enforces the Flammable Fabrics Act and recalls products at Halloween and throughout the year that can cause injury. Make this year's holiday a safe one by following these safety tips on costumes, treats and decorations.

Costumes

* When purchasing costumes, masks, beards and wigs, look for flame resistant fabrics such as nylon or polyester or look for the label "Flame Resistant." Flame resistant fabrics will resist burning and should extinguish quickly. To minimize the risk of contact with candles and other fire sources, avoid costumes made with flimsy materials and outfits with big, baggy sleeves or billowing skirts.

* Purchase or make costumes that are light, bright and clearly visible to motorists.

* For greater visibility during dusk and darkness, decorate or trim costumes with reflective tape that will glow in the beam of a car's headlights. Bags or sacks also should be light colored or decorated with reflective tape. Reflective tape is usually available in hardware, bicycle and sporting goods stores.

* Children should carry flashlights to see and be seen.

* Costumes should be well-fitted and not drag on the ground to guard against trips and falls.

* Children should wear well-fitting, sturdy shoes. Oversized high heels are not a good idea.

* Tie hats and scarves securely to prevent them from slipping over children's eyes and obstructing vision.

* If your child wears a mask, make sure it fits securely, provides adequate ventilation, and has eye holes large enough to allow full vision.

* Swords, knives and similar costume accessories should be made of soft, flexible material.

Treats

* Warn children not to eat any treats before an adult has examined them carefully for evidence of tampering.

* Carefully examine any toy or novelty items received by trick-or-treaters under three years of age. Do not allow young children to have any items that are small enough to present a choking hazard or that have small parts or components that could separate during use and present a choking hazard.

Decorations

* Keep candles and jack-o'-lanterns away from landings and doorsteps where costumes could brush against the flame.

* Remove obstacles from lawns, steps and porches when expecting trick-or-treaters.

* Indoors, keep candles and jack-o'-lanterns away from curtains, decorations and other combustibles that could be ignited.

* Indoors or outside, use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or looseconnections. Discard damaged sets.

* Don't overload extension cords.

Consumers can access CPSC's "Halloween Safety Alert" through the Internet at www.cpsc.gov.

Wiregrass bull and heifer sale set for Oct. 29th

by **Stan Windham**
County Extension Agent

On Friday, Oct. 29, beginning at 12:00 noon, the annual Wiregrass BCIA Performance Tested Bull Sale and BCIA Heifer Sale will take place on Farris Farms. Phil and Susie Farris Farms are located just south of Elba. You can get directions by calling our office at 894-5596 or the Farris home at 897-2856 or there is a map in any bull test catalogue.

These bulls and heifers are from some of the best cattle that Alabama and surrounding states have to offer. The bulls will range in age from 17 to 23 months. They have completed the Wiregrass Bull Grazing Test and are guaranteed breeders with all vaccinations given and all breeding soundness scores high enough to sell.

I personally believe that you will not find a better adapted set of rugged, well developed, forage tested bulls that are ready to go to work for your operation. All the bulls have completed every performance stage from weaning to yearling and measurements that were given as part of the breeding soundness exam.

Within the catalogue you will find all the performance data and EPD's that will give you a complete picture of what these bulls can do for you on your operation. All heifers come directly off the farm and have received their vaccinations and have birth weight and weaning weight information on them as well.

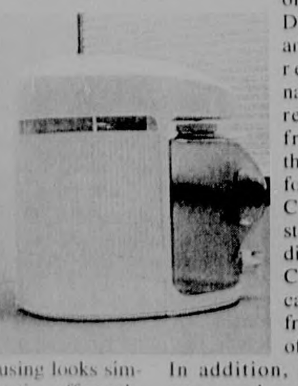
Breeds to be offered for sell are Angus, Charolais, Simmental and Senepol. Heifer breeds are mostly Simmental, Angus crosses with some high percentage Simmentals.

One important point to remember is that if the bulls are managed properly, they are guaranteed by the breeder to be breeders. Bulls out of this test that are 17 to 18 months of age should be able to breed 12 to 18 cows with no problems. The bulls over 18 months of age should be able to handle 18 to 25 cows with no problems. All bulls were wormed in October with Dectomax, and all bulls have also tested negative for anaplasmosis and brucellosis (Bangs). If you have any further questions regarding this sale of heifers and bulls please feel free to call me at 894-5596, Phil or Susie Farris at 897-2856, or Dr. Diego Gimenez at Auburn University at (334) 844-1520.

We extend to you an open invitation to come and be a part of this sale on Friday, Oct. 29, at 12:00 noon. The sale barn is located on the test site at Farris Farms. We look forward to seeing you then.

West Bend Announces the Recall of Water Distillers

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), the West Bend Co., of West Bend, Wis., is recalling about 16,000 model W10120 water distillers used to purify water. These distillers can overheat, posing a fire hazard.



West Bend has received three reports of these distillers overheating and catching fire. There have been no reports of injuries.

The oval-shaped distillers purify water, are made of white plastic, and have a clear, blue collection jug. The housing looks similar to a large automatic coffeemaker. They were sold under various trademarks which are printed on the front of the distillers. These trademarks include Millennium, Mountain Stream, Pure Logic, Sci Can, WaterWise, TIC, Usana, Table Charm, Roex and West Bend. A label on the bottom of the unit has the model number, W10120, and a date code from 9722 to 9848 in black print. Labels with red or gold print are not part of the recall.

Direct selling dealers and door-to-door sales representatives nationwide sold these recalled distillers from May 1998 through August 1999 for about $500.

Consumers should stop using these water distillers immediately. Consumers should call West Bend to get free pickup and repair of the water distillers. In addition, the company will return each repaired water distiller with three free charcoal post filters and an additional year warranty. For more information or to have your water distiller repaired, call West Bend at (800) 377-3038 any-

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1999 Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, OCT. 28
Ribbon Cutting at 5 p.m.
Gates open at 5:30 p.m.
First 100 paid admissions ride free from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $12 and ride until closing.
7 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.: Greg Crowe gospel singing

FRIDAY, OCT. 29
Gates open at 5:30 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $12 and ride until closing.
7 p.m.: Dixieland Cloggers

SATURDAY, OCT. 30
Gates open at 1 p.m.
High school students and under pay $1 admission until 5 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $10 and ride until 5:30 p.m.; then pay one price of $12 after 5 p.m. and ride until closing.
3 p.m.: County 4-H and FFA calf show
7 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.: Rhythm Master Quartet gospel singing.

SUNDAY, OCT. 31
FAIR CLOSED

MONDAY, NOV. 1
Gates open at 5:30 p.m.
Ladies Night: Ladies pay $3 admission
Ride Special: Pay one price of $12 and ride until closing
6:30 p.m.: Hot dog eating contest; 1st place - $35; 2nd place - $15
7 p.m.: Little Miss Covington County Fair

TUESDAY, NOV. 2
Gates open at 3:30 p.m.
School Day Special: High school students and under pay $1 admission until 5 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $8 until 5 p.m. and ride until closing. Pay one price of $12 after 5 p.m. and ride until closing.
Individual tickets only sold after 7:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m.: Boiled egg eating contest; 1st place - $35; 2nd place - $15
7 p.m.: Youth Search for Talent (through age 17): 1st place - $100; 2nd place - $75; 3rd place - $50; 4th place - $25

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3
Gates open at 5:30 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $12 and ride until closing
$100 will be given away every hour starting at 6:15 p.m. Hold Your Ticket Stubb!! You must be present to win.
7 p.m. - Adult Search for Talent (ages 18 and up): 1st place - $100; 2nd place - $75; 3rd place - $50; 4th place - $25

THURSDAY, NOV. 4
Gates open at 5:30 p.m.
Senior Citizens Night: Ages 65 and over admission $3.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $12 and ride until closing.
7 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.: Double Nickle Bluegrass Band and Praises Four Acapella Gospel Group

FRIDAY, NOV. 5
Gates open at 5:30 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $12 and ride until closing
7 p.m. & 8 p.m. : Just "N" TYME featuring Lamar Morris, Tripp Bass & Greg Windham

SATURDAY, NOV. 6
"LAST BLAST"
Gates open at 1 p.m.
High school students and under pay $1 admission until 5 p.m.
Ride Special: Pay one price of $10 and ride until 5:30 p.m.; pay one price of $12 after 5 p.m. and ride until closing.
3:30 p.m.: Hamilton's Juggling with Class
6:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.: The Macalisters Modern & Country Music.

Exhibit Building closes at 10 p.m. nightly.
Individual ride tickets always available unless otherwise noted.

ADMISSION
Ages 13 & Older - $5
Ages 6 - 12 - $3
Under 6 - Free

FAIR HOURS
Daily
5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Tuesday
3:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday
1 p.m. - 10 p.m.

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Wiregrass Hospice offering grief and holiday seminar

Wiregrass Hospice will be offering a seminar on the topic of handling grief during the holiday season. This seminar is designed to assist those who have suffered any type of loss. Issues such as the fears of holiday grief and guidelines to help get through the holiday season will be discussed.

This seminar will be held Monday, Nov. 1, from 6-8 p.m. at Hillcrest Baptist Church located at 500 Alberta Street in Enterprise. Continuing Education Credits will be offered for nurses, social workers and those in other related fields. The seminar is open to anyone and is free of charge. For more information, please call (334) 347-3353 or 1-800-626-1101.

MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe to have emergency meeting

The MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama is having an emergency meeting on Oct. 31 at 2 p.m. in the auditorium of New Brockton High School.

Lawsuit forms to be signed by individuals that have been discriminated against by HUD, FHA, or any related agencies. Anyone with Indian blood can sign these forms. Scholarship applications will be given out. If you have any questions please write or call MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama • 708 South John Street • New Brockton, AL 36351. (334) 894-6578. E-mail creeks@entercomp.com.

SouthTrust reports record third quarter earnings

SouthTrust Corporation recently announced record third quarter earnings of $113.1 million, or $0.67 per diluted share, up from the $94.7 million, or $0.57 per diluted share earned in the third quarter of 1998. This represents a 19.4 percent increase in earnings and a 17.5 percent increase in earnings per diluted share.

For the first nine months of 1999, earnings were $327.3 million, or $1.94 per diluted share, versus $270.6 million, or $1.66 per diluted share for the same period in the prior year, representing a 20.9 percent increase in earnings and a 16.9 percent increase in earnings per diluted share.

SouthTrust's performance resulted in an increase in return on average equity from 14.4 percent one year ago to 16.0 percent for the third quarter of 1999. The efficiency ratio improved from 59.4 percent fro the third quarter of 1998 to 54.8 percent for the third quarter of 1999.

Notice to all scrap tire handlers

Any person whose business deals in scrap or used tires in any way needs to contact the Probate Office to see if they need a Scrap Tire Handler's License. The deadline for acquiring the license is Oct. 31. According to Probate Judge Bill Gammill, the cost of the annual license is $38.50; however, if you are late applying for this license, the fine will be a minimum of $500.

Samelia Green inducted into University of South Alabama honor society

Samelia Green was recently inducted into the University of South Alabama chapter of Alpha Theta Chi collegiate honor society. The purpose of Alpha Theta Chi is to recognize and encourage excellence in scholastic achievement, leadership and character. The society's social and service activities are designed to allow students to become more involved in positive extracurricular activities that benefit the community, the university and the student.

Membership in Alpha Theta Chi is by invitation only and is based on academic achievement and leadership skills.

Samelia is also a member of Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority, Gamma Sigma Alpha honor society, and treasurer of the Respiratory Therapy student organization. She also has served as a Southbound orientation leader and as vice-president of the Freshman Advisory Board.

Samelia is the daughter of Joe and Erma Green of the Victoria Community.

Chamber of Commerce Christmas Festival

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will present its 12th Annual Christmas Festival, "Catch the Holiday Spirit," on Saturday Nov. 27 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the square in downtown Elba. There will be plenty of games, entertainment, arts and crafts, food and fun for the whole family. The festival will be followed by the annual Christmas Parade as it flows through the streets of Elba bringing the final holiday season of this millennium to the people of Elba. The day's events will close with the magical "Christmas Lights" ceremony on the square immediately after the parade. It will be a day of joyful fun as the "Spirit of Christmas" touches us all.

Anyone wishing to sponsor a tree around the square to be decorated with Christmas lights, should contact Kaye Whitworth at the Elba Chamber of Commerce (897-3125).

Change Goes In.

Change Comes Out.

Need Knows No Season.
"Not Just at Christmas"

The only time some people see The Salvation Army at work is ringing bells in front of the well-known Christmas Kettles. But The Salvation Army is working miracles year-round, not just at Christmas. Everyday, The Salvation Army is feeding the hungry, housing the homeless and giving hope to the hopeless. Wherever there is a need, The Salvation Army is there to give a helping hand up and out of moral, economic and spiritual poverty. Please give generously so we can stay on the front lines in the battle for humanity. With "Heart to God and Hand to Man," The Salvation Army is making a difference.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!
Please Call 393-8244

Auburn University awards degrees to area students

Auburn University awarded 2,072 academic degrees, its most ever, at two spring commencement ceremonies in Beard-Eaves-Memorial Coliseum on June 11. Local graduates receiving their Bachelor's degree included: Alan K. Roberson, Amanda B. Shirley and Jackson D. Stokes, all of Elba; Henry E. Cotter, New Brockton.

WARNING:

Fishing Fever spreads at Coffee County Lake
Treatable but not curable with Fresh Air, Sunshine and Relaxation.
Fish at your own risk...
Wednesday - Sunday • Daylight until Dark
Friday & Saturday Nights • Until 10 p.m.
Boats, Motors and Batteries for Rent
Crappie minnows, Worms and Crickets Available

HOMECOMING & REVIVAL SERVICES AT NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
(Curtis Community)

Homecoming will be Sunday, November 7th
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Guest Speaker- Bro. Alfred Ikner (Former Pastor)
Lunch Will Be Served Immediately Following Morning Worship.
Bro. Faron Golden, and Congregation
Extend To Each One a Special Invitation to attend.

Revival Services Will Begin Sunday, November 14
With Rev. Golden bringing the morning message at 11:00 A.M. and night message at 5:30 P.M. Services will continue Monday, November 15 through Wednesday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m. each night with Bro. Gary Winstead, pastor of Ino Baptist Church bringing the message each night.

Special Music will be provided each night and Wednesday night will be a special ***"Youth for Christ"*** emphasis.

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LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COFFEE

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the Next Session of the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment will be made:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

Relating to Coffee County; authorizing the sheriff to operate a jail store for prisoners in county custody; providing for the deposit, distribution, and auditing of monies earned; and confirming and ratifying certain prior actions. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. The Sheriff of Coffee County or the authorized agents of the sheriff may operate a jail store for prisoners within the confines of the county jail. The jail store shall be operated to serve the needs of the jail population.

Section 2. (a) The sheriff shall establish and maintain a Law Enforcement Fund in a bank located in Coffee County. All proceeds collected under this act shall be deposited by the sheriff into the Law Enforcement Fund.

(b) The sheriff shall keep an account of all jail store sales and transactions of the Law Enforcement Fund for audit by the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts. The jail store account and Law Enforcement Fund shall be audited at the same time other accounts of the sheriff are audited. The Department of Examiners of Public Accounts shall submit a copy of the audit to the sheriff within 30 days of its completion.

Section 3. All profits realized in the operation of the jail store shall be expended at the discretion of the sheriff for law enforcement purposes in Coffee County that are in the interest of the public.

Section 4. The establishment of the Law Enforcement Fund and the use of the proceeds shall not diminish or take the place of any other source of income established for the sheriff or the operation of the office.

Section 5. Any actions relating to the operation of a jail store in the county jail prior to the effective date of this act are ratified and confirmed. Any existing proceeds derived from the operation of a jail store in the county jail prior to the effective date of this act shall be deposited into the Law Enforcement Fund created by this act.

Section 6. This act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, upon its otherwise becoming a law.
10/14,21,28,11/4chg.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Project No. CY-ED-PF-98-020
Coffee County Commission, OWNER

Separate sealed bids for Water System Improvements Distribution Mains will be received by Coffee County Commission at the office of the Commission until 9:00 a.m. o'clock, November 8, 1999, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following: David Hicks and Associates, Inc., 406 Dothan Road, Abbeville, AL 36310.

Copies may be obtained at the office of David Hicks and Associates, Inc. located at 406 Dothan Road, Abbeville, AL 36310 upon payment of $100.00 for each set, none of which is refundable. Non-Refundable Reproduction Costs.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each bidder, whether resident or non-resident of this state, shall be required to show evidence of a state contractors license before his bid will be considered.
/s/Kayo Lewis, Chairman
10-21,28-11,4chg

ESTATE OF CARVIE L. ABERCROMBIE DECEASED

PROBATE COURT
PC-99-68

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of October, 1999, by the Hon. William O. Gammill Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Doris Mallory
Personal Representative
10-21,28-11,4chg.

ESTATE OF AUTHUR C. BURNSON, SR. DECEASED

PROBATE COURT
PC-99-70

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of October, 1999, by the Hon. William O. Gammill Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Elizabeth W. Brunson
Personal Representative
10-21,28-11,4chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF: THE ESTATE OF BEULAH CLAIR ARMSTRONG BRYAN, deceased

CASE NO: PC-99-65

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of October, 1999, by the Hon. William O. Gammill Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ Newton Fenton Bryan
Personal Representative
10-21,28,11-4chg.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The City of Elba, 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama 36323 is accepting bids to sell TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE ONLY, INCLUDING PORCHES OR DECKS, (do not include any separate structures) on that property located within the City of Elba, Alabama, at the following addresses:

736 Williams Street, minimum bid expected is $7,500.00
548 Smith Avenue, minimum bid expected is $7,600.00

Bids in any amount will be considered, however the indicated dollar amount constitutes the fifteen percent match that must be paid by the City of Elba. All bids must arrive in a sealed envelope and be clearly marked as to the address being bid, at the above City Hall address not later than 4:00 P.M., November 18, 1999, and will be opened at that time. Bid packet must include certification the building(s) will be relocated outside any flood prone area. **Bill of Sale will not be issued until the structure is moved and new location verified to be outside flood prone area.** Bidders are invited to contact the City Clerk who will indicate the exact location of the property involved. The City of Elba reserves the right to refuse and/or reject all bids. Bidder receiving award will be required to clear the lot of the purchased property, not later than thirty (30) calender days following notification of award unless a written extension is granted. Accepted bid price will be paid in full within five (5) days following award.
/s/ Don Morrow
DON MORROW
City Clerk 10-21,10-8,11-4,11-11,11-18

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell for cash, or otherwise dispose of, at or after 10 a.m. on **Nov. 12, 1999,** the abandoned personal effects, stored at Gene's Mini-Storage, Inc., of the following persons:
Debbie Nelson, Storage Unit #16, whose last known address was Rt. 1, Box 125, Coffee Springs, AL 36318
Richard Moss, Storage Unit #8, whose last known address was P.O. Box 127, River Falls, AL 36476
Lorraine Baldwin, Storage Unit #1, whose last known address was 1144 Boutwell St., Elba, AL 36323
Items will be sold at Gene's Mini Storage, Inc., at the corner of Reese Avenue and 203 Bypass, Elba, AL.
Gene's Mini-Storage, Inc.
10-28;11-4chg

* * * *October12th Election Results* * * *
Precinct-by-Precinct

Voting Precinct	Amendment One Lottery Yes	Amendment One Lottery No	Amendment Two Supernumerary Yes	Amendment Two Supernumerary No	Amendment Three BOE Yes	Amendment Three BOE No
Danley Cross Rds.	34	81	36	67	57	46
Lee Community	63	48	37	69	57	44
Newbia	32	31	20	36	25	28
Bluff Springs	22	14	7	28	19	14
NG Armory-Elba	259	383	271	347	345	263
Zion Chapel	80	96	87	81	100	56
Pine Level	53	43	42	44	39	47
Basin	38	61	37	56	48	44
Wise Mill	19	46	19	45	38	23
Matthews Store	46	50	40	49	56	28
N. B. Farm Ctr.	136	225	184	159	223	104
Victoria	67	114	86	92	111	65
Chestnut Grove	13	80	49	42	51	37
Frisco	110	134	118	112	140	69
Eanon	64	137	76	116	98	74
Heritage -E'prise	338	236	351	214	392	167
Perry's Store	61	101	68	78	89	50
Res. Ctr. - Elba	224	285	231	252	282	181
Pleasant Ridge	96	210	163	136	189	104
Ino Community	22	93	46	55	48	46
Holley's Store	15	23	21	17	29	9
Damascus	120	219	168	153	200	105
Kinston	60	102	68	86	92	58
Goodman	81	171	113	131	136	99
Mount Pleasant	121	276	202	178	225	139
Cool Springs	117	173	160	105	170	94
E'prise Civic Ctr.	295	371	367	265	392	227
Fairview	18	16	15	15	17	12
Elba Mulb'ry Hts.	121	39	96	42	118	21
N. B. Nat'l Guard	154	83	158	70	183	42
E'prise Res. Ct.1	265	137	244	127	267	97
E'prise Res. Ct.2	290	145	273	120	287	99
E'prise YMCA 1	350	493	467	351	540	261
E'prise YMCA 2	317	391	411	282	466	215
E'prise Rec. Ctr.	404	619	490	507	601	373
E'prise Rec. Ctr.	332	664	518	459	566	392
Absentee Voters	100	195	135	133	175	83

Jerry and Linda Boblenz create a buzz for honey at their home in New Brockton

Jerry Boblenz looks at this group of bees from one of the hives he keeps. The bees are working diligently to create their honey supply.

by **Linda Hodge,** Staff Writer

To bee-keep or not to bee-keep...That is the question.

Jerry and Linda Boblenz of New Brockton answer that question with a simple, "Yes, we keep bees and wish more people would consider doing it as well!"

According to Mr. and Mrs. Boblenz, keeping bees is something that more people should consider becoming involved with because bees actually do more 'good' things than one might imagine.

"This area had some very good beekeepers until the mites hit in the late '80s," Mr. Boblenz said. "The mites hit in 1985, '86 and '87, and the honeybee population went from around 41,000 to 14,000 in 1997."

He said all wild bees are now gone, and honeybees have to be assisted by man to survive. Unfortunately, he said the interest in keeping honeybees is only now starting to grow again.

"When we retired, a neighbor told us to take a lot beside the house and garden it, but there were no honeybees to pollinate," said Boblenz. "At that point, I took a course at Auburn University about honeybee keeping, and we kept three hives that first year."

Once the Boblenz's began keeping bees, Mr. Boblenz said the difference in the garden was unbelievable.

Besides being wonderful pollination creators, Boblenz said honeybees also create things such as bee wax, which is used in making candles and figurines, and many companies purchase the bee glue.

"Honeybees are also the only insect that gives us food," he said. "30 percent of everything we eat need to be pollinated, and 80 percent of that pollination is done by honeybees."

Boblenz said the honey created by the bees is very healthy, and it is considered to be nature's first sweetener. And, he said honeybees also are being used in some places as a treatment for arthritis.

Although it now has been determined that honeybees are 'good' insects, many people may still be wary about being stung by bees.

"Honeybees are not aggressive," Boblenz said. "Generally, they will continue to do their work until they feel that their environment is being threatened."

Even up close and personal, the bees continue to work and do not seem to be bothered by those taking a look.

He said as long as you do not bother or intimidate the bee, it will usually leave you alone.

But, in the chance you are stung by a bee, Boblenz said there is a simple solution to removing the stinger.

"If a bee stings you, the best way to get the stinger is to scrap it off," Mrs. Boblenz said. "And, it is best to go ahead and kill the bee because it is going to die anyway after stinging you."

And, the Boblenz's said that swelling is a normal reaction to a bee sting. Other reactions to look for if you are allergic to bee stings are itching, shortness of breath and nausea.

"You can choose the type of bees you want to keep," Boblenz said. "Personally, we look for bees that are gentle in nature. If they are not gentle, I don't want them."

He said he also buys bees that are hygienic with a clean honey production, and he has enjoyed experimenting with the various types of bees through these few years.

"Anyone can be a beekeeper as long as they have a neighbor that doesn't have an objection," Boblenz said. "They are easy to manage as long as you put the hive somewhere where they won't be bothered by animals or humans.

He said bees are even raised in large cities on rooftops where the bees and the humans can go on about their business without ever bothering one another.

Boblenz said the best suggestion he has for someone interested in becoming a beekeeper is to either call the Coffee County Extension Office or come to a Wiregrass Beekeepers Meeting.

Boblenz was very appreciative of the county extension agents and said they are always willing to answer your question or find the answer for you.

And, he said the Wiregrass Beekeepers meet on the second Tuesday of each month at the Houston County Farm Center in Dothan, and the public is always invited.

"I would love to see more people involved with beekeeping," Boblenz said. "Bees are very important to our environment, and we must work to help keep them here."

The final product...a bottle of Jerry & Linda Boblenz honey.

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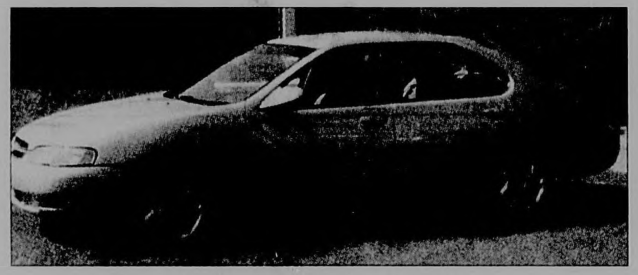

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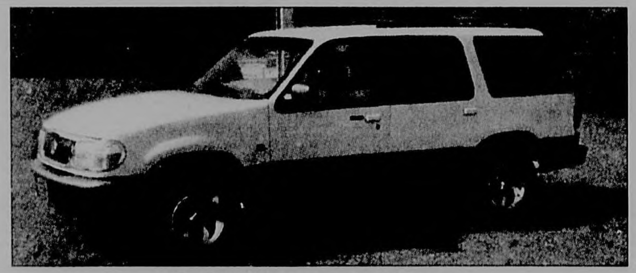

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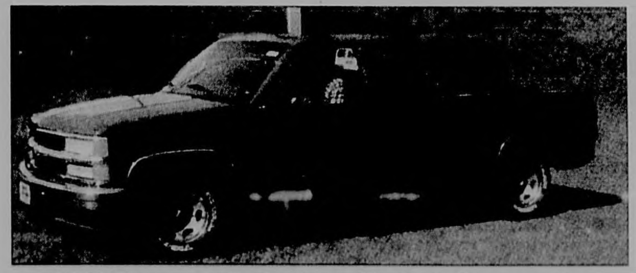

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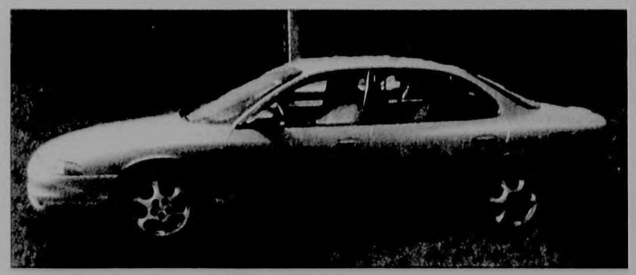

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Plans for Elba's 12th Annual Christmas Festival are underway

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will present its 12th Annual Christmas Festival, "Catch the Holiday Spirit," on Saturday Nov. 27 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the square in downtown Elba. There will be plenty of games, entertainment, arts and crafts, food and fun for the whole family. The festival will be followed by the annual Christmas Parade as it flows through the streets of Elba bringing the final holiday season of this millennium to the people of Elba. The day's events will close with the magical "Christmas Lights" ceremony on the square immediately after the parade. It will be a day of joyful fun as the "Spirit of Christmas" touches us all.

Anyone wishing to sponsor a tree around the square to be decorated with Christmas lights, should contact Kaye Whitworth at the Elba Chamber of Commerce (897-3125).

Shelby gets funding passed for Alabama agriculture

U.S. Sen.Richard C.Shelby (R-Ala.), a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, has announced the passage of the Agriculture Appropriations Conference Report in the U.S. Senate.The bill has been passed by the House and then goes to President Clinton to be signed into law. Included in the bill are specific projects earmarked for Alabama.

Sen. Shelby said, "I believe this Appropriations bill goes a long way toward helping America and Alabama's farmers during this time of agricultural crisis. I am very pleased that my colleagues agreed to honor my requests for funding in the Fiscal Year 2000 Agriculture Appropriations bill. These projects are very important to ensure that Alabama maintains its prominent role in agriculture industries such as catfish, cotton and peanuts, and continues to succeed as a top producer in these and other industries.

"The worldwide increase in the demand for fish has made aquaculture the most rapidly expanding agriculture enterprise in the United States. Farm-raised catfish are a 500 million-dollar industry in Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi. While the industry has enormous potential for increased growth, expansion is greatly hampered by infectious diseases which affect farm-raised catfish each year. In fact, such diseases claim as much as 50 percent of each year's catfish crop. Ultimately, eradication of infectious diseases is essential to the future of the catfish industry."

Shelby worked to include $500,000 for a Peanut Allergy Reduction Study. Peanut allergies present a major health problem for a large number of Americans.

He also was successful in including $500,000 in funding for food safety and detection systems research to be conducted at Auburn University.

Shelby added, "I am pleased the Committee recognized the merits of this request. This funding is an acknowledgment of the top notch research performed at Auburn."